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What

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Andrew Dettre

One has to be pleased that the Phillips Cup will be retained in 1982. Far, far too often we start a new series, then drop it.

But it's sad that the decision to hold the cup was left so late.

There aren't many countries in the world which would decide in April to start a Cup competition in June.

I have no idea who's to blame, whether it was the PSL executive, the clubs or the ASF which was responsible for this extraordinary delay.

One suspects, somehow, that the PSL isn't running as smoothly as it should.

Its 1982 annual has just been published — after round 12.

In the same vein: More and more club officials and coaches are demanding to know what will happen to the PSL in 1983.

It's imperative that a decision about the format be made now, almost immediately — especially if it's a new format.

A traditional curse of Australian soccer is that during a season we never think ahead to next year.

Then comes the long off-season, when our part-time officials simply forget about the game for a few months — and we always wake up in January to make some hurried, unplanned decisions.

This is what happened to the Phillips Cup this year — and could happen to the PSL for 1983 unless those elected to govern do carry out their duties.

The 1982 Phillips Cup will start on Monday, June 14, with only the Phillips League teams taking part.

State League teams have been omitted for the first time to cut costs.

The competition will be regionalised in the early rounds.

The draw is yet to be made, but dates are:

First round — Monday, June 14.

Second round — Wednesday July 14.

Semi-finals — Wednesday August 11.

Final — Sunday, September 12.

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MIGHTY MAKEDONIA AIMS FOR THE TOP



Man of the match Graham Fox (left) confronts the league's top scorer Mark Koussas in Makedonia's sensational 4-1 victory over Sydney Olympic last Sunday. Having knocked off the league leader convincingly, Makedonia seeks another win against Wollongong in a round that could leave seven teams vying for league leadership. Picture by LES SHORROCK.

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IAN BOLTON

BARNES AND BLISSETT THE MEN TO WATCH

These are the Watford players coming to Melbourne.

STEVE SHERWOOD: A member of one of Britain's most famous sporting families; both his brother and sister-in-law are Olympic medalists. This 6'4" goalkeeper is enjoying the best form of a patchy career which has included stints at Chelsea, Brighton, Millwall and Brentford. A recently-signed contract will keep him at Vicarage Road until 1985. He is a solid 'keeper who is particularly safe in the air.

ERIC STEELE: First choice until Sherwood took over the number one jersey in December, 1980. Eric was previously with Newcastle United, Peterborough United and Brighton. He helped the

latter gain promotion into the First Division in 1979 and has over 250 league appearances to his credit. He is a consistent, dependable goalkeeper.

PAT RICE: Capped 49 times by Northern Ireland, Pat hasn't represented his country for two years, yet is a near certainty to be included in the province's 22 for Spain. A member of Arsenal's league-cup "double" winning combination of 1970-71, his experience has been vital in Watford's promotion surge. A solid defender, he overlaps purposefully.

WILF ROSTRON: One of the game's more creative midfielders. He has experienced First Division football with Arsenal and home town club Sunninghill.

KEITH PRITCHETT: The only Scot in the squad, he made only a handful of appear-

ances at his previous clubs Wolverhampton Wanderers, Doncaster Rovers, Queen's Park Rangers and Brentford before joining Watford for a small fee. A rugged, uncompromising defender, he proved to be one of Graham Taylor's most inspired signings.

STEVE TERRY: Teenager Steve took over from big money signing Steve Sims and played so well that the England "B" international was unable to regain his place upon obtaining full fitness. A competent, determined player, he obviously has a glittering future ahead of him.

STEVE SIMS: A \$400,000 signing from Leicester City, he gained 10 international caps at under 21 level. Unfortunately his career has been blighted by injury. He is a resolute, sound defender.

LES TAYLOR: Oxford United received a club record \$200,000 when he moved to Watford in November, 1980. A magnificent team man who buzzes around midfield, he is a firm favorite with manager Graham Taylor, although he seldom hits the headlines.

IAN BOLTON: Now fully recovered after sustaining a serious injury last season, Ian is equally at home in midfield or defence. Formerly with Notts County and Lincoln City, he is another ultra consistent performer.

LUTHER BLISSETT: Jamaican-born, he came to the fore during Watford's run through to the semi-finals of the 1979-80 League Cup, during which he scored a string of spectacular goals. Untried and immensely powerful, he has four England under 21 caps to his credit.

ROSS JENKINS: It appeared that an ankle injury would terminate Ross's career last year, but he is now back to peak fitness and form. An \$80,000 acquisition from Crystal Palace 10 years ago, he was the English League's leading goalscorer in 1978-79. This 6'2" striker is particularly dangerous in the air, but must be watched on the ground too.

JAN LOHMAN: The Dutchman must rate as the bargain buy of the recently completed English season, costing just \$50,000 when he moved from Belgian First Division club Lokeren in January. Jan's goal eliminated Manchester United from the FA Cup in only his fourth full game in British football. He prefers to utilise his extensive skills on the wing, although Graham Taylor often prefers him as a

midfielder. In Holland he served NEC Nijmegen.

JOHN BARNES: The revelation of the Second Division during 1981-82, was plucked from amateur soccer and quickly made his mark with some exhilarating displays. He came to England in 1976 when his father was appointed Military Attaché to the Jamaican High Commission in London. A brilliant ball artist, with speed and vision, this 18-year-old must be ranked as the most exciting young left winger in British soccer.

KENNY JACKETT: Went into the record books when he became the youngest ever present in league history during the 1980-81 campaign. Although the only local born player in the squad, he is a Welsh under-21 international, qualifying for the Principality through his Swansea-born

father, who played for the "Hornets" in the 1950s. Equally at home in the back four or midfield, he is both constructive and robust. At 20 years of age, is an extremely bright prospect.

MARTIN PATCHING: First team opportunities have been limited for Martin suffering a knee ligament injury two years ago. A \$200,000 purchase from Wolverhampton Wanderers, this strong, enthusiastic midfielder is a former England youth international.

NIGEL CALLAGHAN: Another one of Graham Taylor's carefully groomed youngsters, Singapore-born Nigel is effective in either midfield or on the wing. He is an intelligent distributor of the ball.

MALCOLM POSKETT: Cast off by home town club Middlesbrough after a single game in 1974, Malcolm has proved himself an excellent hedge against inflation to the clubs he has subsequently served. After moving from amateurs Whitby Town to Hartlepool United for a token \$50 fee, he was transferred to Brighton (\$120,000) and then Watford (\$230,000). A goal scoring specialist, he was linked with Wollongong a couple of months ago, but the move did not eventuate.

GRAHAM TAYLOR (MANAGER): As a player, his only notable success was to be appointed captain of Grimsby Town, on whose books he was for six years before moving to Lincoln City. After four seasons with Lincoln he hung up his boots and took up management with the "Red Imps". City won the 1975-76 Fourth Division title, breaking a string of records in the process and Taylor was proclaimed as one of the game's most promising young managers. Soon after he was lured to ambitious Watford and took over the Fourth Division to second in successive seasons, a feat to be followed by the deeds of 1981-82, which are already history. Even in the precarious World of English football management, the future of 38 year old Taylor appears to be secure.

Elton John, Graham Taylor put Watford on top

By PAUL MOON

These are indeed red letter days for Watford, which meets Victoria at Olympic Park at 8.30 pm on Thursday May 20. Never before in Watford's 91-year history has the spotlight been beamed so brightly upon the club as it is now.

For most of its existence Watford has had to be content with a modest, if not successful, for financial solvency of the pitch and respectability on it.

Formed in 1891 following the merger of two obscure local amateur teams, it turned professional six years later and joined the newly-formed Southern League.

At that time the English Football League was a virtual closed shop. All but its membership came from the North and Midlands. Professional clubs in the heavily-populated south were left to form their own competition.

Those early days proved a grim struggle for survival. Only the generosity of a philanthropic president and the general public, who were called upon to contribute to public subscriptions three times enabled the club to endure.

In 1918 all this appeared to be in vain though, as their home ground was secured for military purposes but at the eleventh hour a new base was secured and Watford moved to the present headquarters, Vicarage Road.

With such a frail economic foundation, it was little wonder that the team labored. Watford moved insignificantly between the middle and bottom of the Southern League.

The FA Cup offered little consolation. In 1912 the mighty Wolverhampton Wanderers were held to a respectable scoreless draw, only for the replay to be lost by a horrendous ten-goal margin!

Eight years later, after over two decades of agitation, the

English League decided to form a Third Division by taking the entire Southern League membership under its wing.

Watford thus found itself with little prior notice, in what came to be known as the Third Division (South) and part of one of the game's most famed institutions.

Unfortunately the change of status did not bring about a change of fortune. For almost 40 years the Hertfordshire club floundered, invariably to be found in mid-table.

Watford never looked capable of gaining promotion, but only rarely was it potential wooden spooner.

Its fans had to find solace in the occasional noteworthy event.

Frank Hoddinott became the club's first international when honored twice by Wales in 1921.

1924 saw an exciting FA Cup run, during which first division Middlesbrough was vanquished, before eventual winner Newcastle United scraped a one-goal victory to reach the last eight.

Watford progressed one step further in the 1932 competition, reaching the quarter-finals. At this stage Newcastle won 5-0 and, ironically, went on to win the trophy again.

The smallest player in English League history, Fred Le May, who stood at exactly five feet, was based at Vicarage Road in the early 1930s. He was transferred to Orient in 1933 and played for the opposition when Watford's Bill Lane scored a hat trick within three minutes that year.

Only once however did Watford threaten to claim any significant honor.

In order to extend their season, the Third Division (South)

clubs decided to institute a knockout competition among themselves. The 1937 version of the trophy was shared with Millwall.

Generally though, Watford rarely rose above mediocrity. In 1958 the decision was made to reorganise the Third Division. Consequently Watford, which finished below half way in that year's ladder, was required to participate in the newly constituted Fourth Division.

It took just two seasons to escape. Watford's promotion was due largely to the goalscoring feats of Cliff Houghton who netted 42 that term, the best tally in the entire League.

Houghton holds the unique distinction of scoring hat tricks in successive days during the Easter programme.

A prolific netfinder in the lower stratas of the League, he unfortunately failed to make the grade when transferred to First Division Arsenal.

Another Watford player had no such problems. Pat Jennings made 48 league appearances for the club before \$60,000 took him to Tottenham Hotspur in 1964 and the rest is thoroughly documented in football's annals.

The newcomers quickly established themselves in the Third Division. After twice narrowly failing to gain a further promotion, they emerged from the 1968 - 69 season as champions, conceding a mere 34 goals - a record.

The Second Division was to prove awesomely tough and Watford struggled from the outset. The FA Cup was to provide an exhilarating diversion though and Watford stunned the football World by eliminating mighty Liverpool in a 1970 quarter final clash.

The "Brewerymen", as they were then nicknamed, stood

just one step away from Wembley. It was a stride well beyond their capabilities though as Chelsea won a lopsided match 5-1.

At least captain Keith Eddy gained the consolation of being included in the FA party which toured Australia.

Watford's inability to retain its best players led to an abrupt decline. Eddy was one of four who manager Keith Furphy took with him to Sheffield United.

The 24 goals Watford scored in 1971 - 72 is the lowest ever accumulated by a club in one season. Little wonder then that it finished 14 points adrift of the penultimate team.

Unfortunately the slide could not be arrested and three years later the club was back in Division Four.

Watford appeared destined to become just one more indifferent, impoverished Fourth Division outfit until Elton John arrived on the scene.

Many show business personalities have taken up positions as directors of professional soccer clubs. Most have done so merely to gain publicity and bolster their egos. John though is an entirely different kettle of fish.

Knowledgeable, enthusiastic, ambitious, energetic and, perhaps most important, willing to finance projects essential to the club's development, he has demonstrated himself to be the ideal director and, latterly, chairman.

Watford has been fortunate in attracting other high calibre personnel to its administration.

Graham Taylor, widely acknowledged as the most brilliant young managerial talent in English football, joined the staff in June 1977.

His assistant, Bertie Mee, masterminded Arsenal's league and cup double triumph of 1971.

Under Taylor, Watford captured the 1977 - 78 Fourth Division title and 12 months later won its way into the Second.

For the first two seasons the "Hornets" were content to quietly consolidate, treading water until their playing resources were adequate for a sustained promotion challenge.

Cup results illustrated the potential. Wolverhampton Wanderers, Southampton and Nottingham Forest were eliminated by a team that was capable of producing superb football in big match situations, but lacked the consistency for a prolonged assault on a top three placing.

This year Watford displayed that consistency and surely the day when it is among the most respected clubs in Europe can not be too far away.

Taylor has astutely blended big-money signings, all of whom boast First Division experience, with promising young talent developed by the club.

He has instilled into his combination a skilful, aggressive style which makes Watford one of England's most entertaining sides. It appears only matter of time before it will also be one of the most successful.

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Vics beat Red Star, EK

Victoria's record in matches over the past 20 years is: 22 wins, 14 draws and 44 losses. The Vics scored 111 goals in those games and conceded 166.

Victoria's top scorers over this period:

7. Buljevic.
6. Mladenovic.
5. Vojtek, Cole.
4. Paton, Malloy.
3. Berendsonk, Barbazza.
2. French, Mackay.

1982:
Victoria 0 NSW 1 (Lavi)

NSW 3 (H. Ninosu, 2 Baumgartner) Victoria 4 (Berendsonk 2, L. Vella, Villiers).

West Aust. 1 (McInroy) Victoria 2 (Margaretta, Barbazza).

West Aust. 0 Victoria 5 (Barbazza 2, Marinovic 2, Margaretta).

Victoria 0 NSW 2 (Laros, Baumgartner).

Victoria 2 (Berendsonk, Hartley) Queensland 3 (McMillan 2, Kitching).

South Australia 4 (Herczeg, Marton, Morarty, Matkacs) Victoria 2 (Dunphy 2).

Queensland 4 (Pettison 3, Scott) Victoria 3 (Malloy 3).

South Australia 1 (DeLyster) Victoria 3 (Blue 2, Kovalek).

1983:
Victoria 0 Chelsea 1 (McCullough)

Victoria 0 Moscow Torpedo 4 (Bradnev, Mischakov, Sergeyev)

Victoria 1 (McMeehan) Moscow Torpedo 4 (Sergeyev 2, Bradnev, Fedotov).

Victoria 2 (Gajda, Micki) AS Roma 4.

Victoria 0 AS Roma 1.

1987:
Victoria 0 Manchester 0

Victoria (McMeehan) Manchester United 3 (Midd, Law, Charlton).

1988:
Victoria 0 Cardiff 0

Victoria 0 Cardiff 6

1989:
NSW 4 (Alston 3, Baatz) Victoria 1 (McCallum)

South Australia 0 Victoria 3 (Mihalovic, Vojtek, McCullum).

Victoria 1 (McCall) South Australia 0.

Victoria 0 Greece 0

Victoria 2 (Mackay, Gorrie) NSW 2.

1970:
Victoria 1 (Mackay) Wertha 03

Zehendorf (Hannemann).

Victoria 0 Rumene 0 1 (Badin).

Victoria 1 (Smart) Moscow Dynamo 7 (Chislanko 2, Sanin 2, Arnski, Larin, Eshtrikov).

Victoria 2 (Vojtek 2) South Australia 2 (Pantaleo, Zervas).

Victoria 0 (Ujasenov) NSW 2 (Denton, Alston).

Victoria 0 Manchester City 3 (Doyls 3).

1971:
NSW 1 (Kaddie) Victoria 1 (McCall)

Victoria 1 (Mica) Werder Bremen 2

Victoria 2 (Mladenovic, Malloy) Prussein Munster 1 (Polhachmidt).

Victoria 3 (Kolkinnos 2, Rogers) Yoyo Kogyo 6 (H. Yeashida 2, Ogi, Ochiai, Taniura).

Victoria 0 Moscow Dynamo 0

Victoria 0 South Australia 3 ((Keech 2, Nykhus).

South Australia 1 (Kolecki) Victoria 1 (Lopatic).

Victoria 1 (Wallace) English FA 3 (Keen 2, Garland).

Victoria 2 (Vojtek, Zorajic) Welsh FA 1 (Davies).

1972:
Victoria 1 (Marshall) Cruzeiro 4

(Roberto, Tostao, Vandery, Eduard).

Victoria 2 (Mackay, Irvine) South Australia 0.

South Australia 4 (J. Nykhus, Norman, Delystar, Mulvaney) Victoria 0.

Victoria 2 (Rujovic, Buljevic) Dundee 4 (Lambie, Wallace, Houston, Duncan).

1973:
Victoria 0 Santos 2 (Edu, Ezabio).

Victoria 1 (Buljevic) Cruzeiro 2 (L. Santos, Dircou Lopez).

1978:
Victoria 2 (Ollerton, Ristovski) Vales Mostar 2 (Hallidodis 2).

Victoria 1 (French) South Australia 2 (Laeane pen., Kolecki).

Victoria 1 (Bernard) Tottenham Hotspur 3.

Victoria 0 Bologna 4 (Bartuzzo, Massimelli, Clerici, Marasoli).

Victoria 1 (Buljevic) Italian Army 2 (Desolati, Pruzzo).

Victoria 1 (French pen) Atromitos 1 (Berghe).

1977:
Victoria 2 (Roberts, Baker pen) South Australia 1 (Korinnal).

Victoria 0 Middlebrough 4 (Madden, Mills, Armstrong, Hedler).

1978:
Victoria 2 (McClymont, Ford sq) Dundee 1 (Sinclair).

1975:
Victoria 0 Wals Crakow 1 (Kmieci).

South Australia 0 Victoria 2 (Cunningham, Trent).

Victoria 2 (Trent, Short) Norwich City 4 (Peters 2, Fashanu, Bond pen).

Victoria 1 (Piccone) Partizan Belgrade 0.

Victoria 4 (Cole 3, Gilder) AEK Athens 0.

Victoria 2 (Cunningham, Rooney) New York Cosmos 3 (Neeskens 2, Chingini).

1980:
Victoria 2 (Paton, Christopoulos) Red Star belgrade 1 (Filipovic).

Victoria 4 (Paton 2, Cole, J. Campbell) NSW 0.

Victoria 0 South Australia 0

Victoria 0 AC Milan 2 (Romano, Galuzzo).

1981:
Victoria 1 (Paton) Dynamo Zagreb 1 (Munjakovic).

Victoria 1 (Brogan) New Zealand 2 (O. Turner, Herbert).

1982:
Victoria 0 Hungary 2 (Bodonyi, G. Kereskes).

MOOROOOLBARK: Dropped out of PSL at the end of 1977.

WESTERN SUBURBS: Dropped out at the end of 1978.

WESTERN HELLAS: (WA, Tokes, Hermiston (BC), O'Shea (St George), Milne, Ralsovski (JUST), and Muniz (SC) had spells away from their clubs before returning.

Some of the players listed in the Hellas/Akakoa team, only Cummings can boast an uninterrupted stay with Hellas.

A check on the first round in 1977 reveals also that it was John Kosminia who scored the first PSL goal in the 7th minute of a 3-1 victory by West Adelaide over Canberra.

Ken Lindsay scored a minute later, for Western Suburbs in a 5-0 victory over Mooroolbark.

All details of the first PSL round in 1977:

FITZROY ALEXANDER: Fitzroy (penalty 89th)

HAKOAH EASTS: 3 (Mowbray, Smith, Smith 75th)

GOULD WARRIORS: 7 (74th round 7460. Player ratings by (Laurie Schwab):

ALEXANDER: Blasby 6; Campbell 4, Provan 6, Tansey 5, Rakovalis 5, O'Reilly 5 (Glenelg).

GOULD: P. Bannon 6, McCormars 5 (Gillan 17th), Taylor 6; Cole 5, Buljevic 6.

HAKOAH: Clarke 6; Mullen

half time), Morgan 5, O'Connor 5.

REFERENCE: Yelland 7.

WESTERN SUBURBS: 5 (Harding, Lindsay, C Eaton, Norris)

MOOROOOLBARK: 0 at Sydney Sports Ground.

Crowd: 1000. Player ratings by (Tom Anderson):

WESTS: Eaton 7, Curran 6, Hughes 6, Wilson 8.

Lindsay: 7 Fryer (sub Lowrey 78), Harding 8, Norris 8, Bolton 8, Ainslie 7 (sub Berry 61).

MOOROOOLBARK: Ivanoff 6, Sinclair 6, G. Ontong 6, Fong 6, Ainslie 6, B. Ontong 6, Bozczuk 5 (sub Priestley 77), Ellis 5 (sub Bailey 51), Clarey 6, Irwin 5, P. Ontong 6.

ADELAIDE JUVENUS: 0

BRISBANE LIONS: 0 at Olympic Stadium.

Player Ratings: (by Meno Toutsidis)

JUVENUS: Romanowicz 5, Fraser 6, Yung 6, Matic 6, Lister 7, Perin 7, Leane 6, Melta 7, Northcote 6, Nyakolobwe 6.

BRISBANE LIONS: McKenzie 6, Wilson 6, Potter 7, Bennett 7, Niven 6, Drinkwater 6, Fagan 5 (Lawrie 70th), Lazslo 6, Neale 6, Harding 6 (Walter 6 half time).

REFERENCE: Campbell 8.

CANBERRA CITY: (Grujicic) **WEST ADELAIDE:**

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St George close to snatching top berth

By LAURIE SCHWAB

Results at the weekend may leave league leadership within the grasp of seven teams.

St. George has the best immediate chance of grabbing the lead, should Sydney Olympic lose to improving Canberra City at Pratten Park.

Ian Purdie's return has made a big difference to Canberra's attack, and although the team had a few defensive lapses against Footscray J.U.S.T. last week, it will be much tighter away from home against the league leader.

This will be a real test of Olympic's character. Not only does it have to overcome the threat of Purdie, Tony Brennan, Ian Gibson, George Christopoulos and Gary Byrne, but it also has to pick itself up off the floor after last week's 1-4 loss to Makedonia. It should be an intriguing battle, with Peter Katholos and Peter Raskopoulos confronting Gary Byrne and Christopoulos.

We'll also see two of the most exciting sweepers in the game — Jim Ziras of Olympic and Terry Byrne of Canberra.

St. George has to beat APIA at Lambert Park to perhaps overtake Olympic at the top.

Lajos Koritar from MTK in Hungary has been playing in Saints' youth team to get himself into the right form, but it remains to be seen whether coach Frank Arok can fit him in yet.

Consider these possibilities: Canberra beats Olympic, Saluts beat APIA, Marconi beats Sydney City, Heidelberg beats Brisbane City and Makedonia beats Wollongong.

The top of the ladder then would look like this: St. George 19 points, Sydney Olympic 18, Marconi 18, Heidelberg 18, APIA 17, Makedonia 17.

Two points separating six teams!

But that's all kite-flying by someone who loves to see a close competition.

The reality is that Marconi will find it very hard to beat Sydney City whose scoreless draw in Adelaide with Adelaide City was an excellent result considering the recent improvement of John Perin's men.

Heidelberg will have Charlie Yankos and Theo Selemidis back but every team finds it difficult to win in Brisbane, and Makedonia will face a Wollongong team desperate for points because it has slumped to within only one point of the relegation zone. South Melbourne Hellas is two points clear of relegation danger, and faces a very hard match against the attacking Brisbane Lions at Middle Park.

However, Hellas played its best match in many weeks against Marconi and lost 1-2 only because of a dubious penalty decision. Fight back Gerry Bennett from State League club Ajax fitted well into a defence that played extremely well, and striker Alan Evans also showed improvement.

Coach John Margaritis is confident the team will improve rapidly from now on but stresses that improvement is possible only with support from the committee and especially the spectators who must give the players confidence during the game instead of abusing them.

Back to John Perin.

He has inspired his new charges to great heights since taking over as coach, so Adelaide City must start as favorite against West Adelaide in the big local derby at Hindmarsh Stadium on Sunday.

West Adelaide has been weakened considerably by the loss of Kiwis Alan Boath and Steve Sumner, and without their promoting from midfield, West will find it hard to get past mighty defenders Bugsy Nykohus, Bobby Russell, Neil Banfield and Neville Filmer.

This match will be replayed on Channel 9/28's "Match of the Day" programme on Sunday night.

Footscray J.U.S.T. was this week looking for a coach to replace Peter Jaksa whose financial demands put him out of the club's reach.

Jaksa coached J.U.S.T. at a reported fee of \$650 a week during long-service leave from his job in Adelaide.

Jim Milne has been acting as caretaker coach, but J.U.S.T. also has approached Ajax coach Bobby McLachlan who declined.

Despite the problems, J.U.S.T. gained a respectable 2-2 draw with Canberra, and is getting good performances from Milne, Jim O'Reilly, Zoran Iliksi, Milutin Ciric, and others.

With Mendo Ristovski and Zdravko Lujic in attack, backed up by Iliksi, Vlado Pijevajcic and perhaps Slobodan Jovanovic if he returns this week, J.U.S.T. looks too strong for Newcastle at Schintler Reserve.

Weekend matches with likely winners in capitals:

IN SYDNEY

SYDNEY CITY HAKOAH v. Marconi-Datsun at Sydney Athletic Field, 3 pm.

APIA Leichhardt v. ST. GEORGE BUDAPEST at Lambert Park, 3 pm.

Sydney Olympic v. CANBERRA CITY at Pratten Park, 3 pm.

IN MELBOURNE

SOUTH MELBOURNE HELLAS v. Brisbane Lions at Middle Park, 3 pm.

FOOTSCRAY J.U.S.T. v. Newcastle at Schintler Reserve, 3 pm.

IN WOLLONGONG

Wollongong v. PRESTON MAKEDONIA at Wollongong Showgrounds, 3 pm.

IN ADELAIDE

West Adelaide Hellas v. ADELAIDE CITY JUVENTUS at Hindmarsh, 2.30 pm.

IN BRISBANE

Brisbane City v. HEIDELBERG-ALEXANDER at Sponcer Park, 3 pm.

Youth title draw

Draw for under 19 National Youth Championship in Canberra 12-16 May:

Wednesday 12 May at O'Connor Oval, 9.30 am Victoria v South Aust.; 11.00 am Tasmania v N.S.W.; 2.00 pm West Aust. v A.C.T.; 3.30 pm Queensland v N.S.W.

Thursday 13 May at O'Connor Oval, 9.30 am Victoria v West Aust.; 11.00 am Tasmania v Queensland; 2.00 pm South Aust. v A.C.T.; 3.30 pm N.S.W. v N.S.W.

Friday 14 May at O'Connor Oval, 9.30 am South Aust. v

West Aust.; 11.00 am N.S.W. v Queensland; 2.00 pm Victoria v A.C.T.; 3.30 pm Tasmania v N.S.W.

Saturday 15 May at Bruce, 10 am 3rd Group A v 4th Group B; 10.00 am 3rd Group B v 4th Group A; 2.00 pm winner Group A v 2nd Group B; 4.00 pm winner Group B v 2nd Group A.

Sunday 16 May, at Bruce, 10 am 7th and 8th placing; 10.00 am 5th and 6th placing; 11.30 am 3rd and 4th placing; 1.30 pm final.

TEAMS

NEW ZEALAND: Wilson, Doherty, Herbert, Almond, Rafter, Woodfin, Sumner (captain), HIR, Booth, McLean, G. Turner (captain by consensus).

LEAGUE OF IRELAND: Blackmore, Grace, Lawlor, McCann (captain), McDonough, Flanagan, Byrne (captain), Kipp, Buckley, Devine, Clarke (captain).

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PRESTON MAKEDONIA

4 (Brown 2, Lucchesi, Ward)
SYDNEY OLYMPIC 1 (Redfern penalty) at Connor Reserve. Votes by Laurie Schwab:

6. Fox (Mak), 5. Jennings (SO), 4. Little (Mak), 3. Lucchesi (Mak), 2. Brown (Mak), 1. Beech (Mak).

BRISBANE LIONS 2 (Low, Williamson) WOLLONGONG 0 at Richlands.

6. Farris (BL), 5. Bennett (BL), 4. Lowndes (BL), 3. Bertogina (Woll), 2. Preston (Woll), 1. Atmore (BL).

ADELAIDE CITY JUVENTUS 0 SYDNEY CITY HAKOAH 0 at Olympic Sports Field. Votes by Memo Toutaidia:

6. Russell (AC), 5. Barnfield (AC), 4. B. Nykohus (AC), 3. O'Connor (SC), 2. Robertson (SC), 1. Spanos (SC).

CANBERRA CITY 2 (Purdie, T. Byrne) FOOTSCRAY J.U.S.T. 2 (Lujic, Ristovski) at Bruce Stadium. Votes by Peter Windsor:

6. G. Byrne (Can), 5. Ambrosino (Can), 4. Iliksi (JUST), 3. Ristovski (JUST), 2. Milovanovic (Can), 1. Milne (JUST).

HEIDELBERG-ALEXANDER 3 (Cole, Rooney, Paton) APIA-LEICHHARDT 2 (Giampaolo pen., Bradley) at Olympic Village. Votes by Peter Deslaur:

6. Campbell (H'berg), 5. Bradley (APIA), 4. Zdravko (H'berg), 3. Butler (APIA), 2. Rooney (H'berg), 1. Macleod (H'berg).

ST. GEORGE BUDAPEST 2 (Slaton, Marton) WEST ADELAIDE HELLAS 0 at St. George Stadium. Votes by Peter Scott:

6. Barton (St.G), 5. Ret-

cliffe (St.G), 4. Skoen (St.G), 3. Marton (St.G), 2. Honeyman (WA), 1. Slaton (WA).

NEWCASTLE KB UNITED 0 BRISBANE CITY 0 at International Sports Centre.

6. Pezzano (BC), 5. Dando (Newc), 4. Hermiston (BC), 3. Perry (BC), 2. Sneddon (Newc), 1. McClelland (Newc).

MARCONI-DATSUM 2 (Bozanic pen., Jankovics) SOUTH MELBOURNE HELLAS 1 (Evans) at Marconi Stadium. Votes by Alex Vasic:

6. Jankovics (M), 5. Bozanic (M), 4. G. Campbell (SM), 3. Hunter (M), 2. Henderson (M), 1. Vior (M).

Leaders:

52. Katholos (SO), 42. Stone (St.G.), 40. McGachey (WA), 36. Redfern (SO), North-

cote (AC), 32. Iliksi (JUST), Marton (St.G).

31. Dunn (WA), 29. Bennett (BL), Soper (APIA).

28. T. Byrne (Can), 26. Honeyman (WA), 24. Raskopoulos (SO), 23. Russell (AC), Kosmina (BL), 23. O'Reilly (JUST), G. Campbell (SM), Boyle (Mak).

22. Brown (Mak), 21. Henderson (Marc), Barton (St.G).

20. Banfield (AC), Bertogina, Adam (W).

19. Egan (SM), Lowe, H. Tredinnick (Newc), Hunter (Marc), Millman (BL), Conner (BC), Vardareff (Woll), Ambrosino (Can), Watson (SC).

18. Jennings (SO), Petrovski (Mak), Lowndes (BL).

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1.	(1) SYDNEY OLYMPIC	4	0	2	15	5	4	2	1	15	12	30	17	18	
2.	(2) APIA LEICHHARDT	4	1	1	12	3	3	2	2	14	10	28	17	17	
3.	(4) ST. GEORGE BUDAPEST	6	0	1	12	4	1	3	2	8	12	20	16	17	
4.	(3) SYDNEY CITY HAKOAH	4	1	1	11	4	3	1	3	8	7	19	11	16	
5.	(6) Marconi-Datsun	5	1	1	16	7	2	1	3	5	7	21	14	16	
6.	(7) Heidelberg Alexander	5	1	1	12	7	2	1	3	5	8	17	15	16	
7.	(8) Preston Makedonia	4	3	0	16	6	1	2	3	6	12	22	15	15	
8.	(9) Brisbane Lions	3	2	2	15	9	1	4	1	7	7	22	16	14	
9.	(5) West Adelaide Hellas	3	2	1	13	9	1	4	2	7	9	20	18	14	
10.	(10) Canberra City	2	3	2	12	11	1	3	2	9	12	21	23	12	
11.	(12) Adelaide City Juventus	2	3	2	10	7	1	1	4	7	9	17	16	10	
12.	(11) South Melbourne Hellas	3	2	2	10	7	1	2	4	10	13	20	20	10	
13.	(13) Footscray J.U.S.T.	1	4	1	8	7	1	2	4	6	15	14	22	10	
14.	(14) Wollongong	2	1	3	8	13	2	0	5	4	15	12	9	9	
15.	(15) Brisbane City	2	3	1	10	9	0	1	6	1	21	11	30	8	
16.	(16) Newcastle KB United	1	3	3	7	10	0	1	5	5	16	12	26	6	

PSL TEAM OF THE WEEK

Total appearances in brackets

PEZZANO (1)
(Brisb. C)

RUSSELL (2)
(Adel. C)

RATCLIFFE (1)
(St. George)

FOX (1)
(Makedonia)

BOZANIC (1)
(Marconi)

BARTON (2)
(St. Geo)

G. BYRNE (1)
(Canberra)

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ST. GEORGE SUPERB!

By PETER SCOTT

St. George 2 West Adelaide

Venue: St. George Stadium.
Scorers: Slater 48, Marton 83.
Cautioned: Totals (WA)
Crowd: 3654
Referee: Tim Davies 8.

ST. GEORGE BSC: Fraser 8
— Skeen 8, R. O'Shea 7,
Barton 9, Ratcliffe 9, M.
O'Shea 7, Slater 8, Stone 7,
Wilkinson 7, J. O'Shea 7,
Marton 8.

WEST ADELAIDE: Crook 7
— McGregor 6, Dunn 6,
McGachey 7, Totals 6,
Doorn 6, Stefanopoulos 62nd
min., Marnock 6, Honeyman
8, Hoys 65, Brennan 6, McKie
6.

In brilliant sunshine as jellies swept in and out of Mascot airport in a continuous stream, many West Adelaide players and officials must have wished they were back on board one of the planes, long before the final whistle.

If there is such a thing as a technical knock-out in soccer, this was it.

From the 2nd minute onwards the South Australians were completely stymied by a home team which only left the eventual margin of victory to chance.

Significantly, young Robbie Slater was in his element faced with a defence which wasn't quite as quick with the tackle, or as hard, as his opponents from the defending champions.

Slater was fast, incisive and aggressive throughout the match.

The first half was characterised by St. George's almost total dominance, apart from a chance for Robbie Dunn early on, but he twisted and turned until the opportunity was wasted.

The well deserved reward for Slater's efforts finally materialised three minutes into the second session.

A delicate chip floated in from the right wing by Skeen was only partially cleared and the effervescent Slater was quickly on the spot to slam it into the net.

The floodgates looked like opening at this stage in the proceedings, with the best move of the match coming in the 55th minute, but, alas, without producing a goal.

As so often in this match, Barton and Slater were found grafting, this time on the left flank, with the young winger sending a beautiful chipped ball over into the penalty area.

Wilkinson immediately headed the ball down into the path of Marton, who was arriving on the scene with the speed and determination of a locomotive — only to see him

blast the ball over the crossbar.

The last glimmer of hope for the hapless visitors appeared on the horizon 20 minutes from the end, when McGachey beat the Saints' offside trap for the second time in the game.

This time he did it on his own, racing past the advancing defence only to be felled by the boot of Fraser who ran about 20 metres out of goal to clear.

The final score of 2-0 was set in the 83rd minute when Barton found Slater with a pass.

The ginger-haired youngster smartly drew the defence, before setting up Marton in the penalty area, all on his own, with only the goalie to beat.

Beat him he did, thus chasing away the final remnants of hope. Wests may have had for a draw.



John Little (right), one of Makedonia's stars against Olympic, tries in vain to prevent a cross by Gary Phillips. Pictures by LES SHORROCK

Makedonia does

Makedonia 4 Olympic 1

Scorers, Mak: Lucchesi 40th, Ward 43rd, Brown 47th and 48th; Olympic: Redfern penalty 66th.

Venue: Connor Reserve.
Crowd: about 6000.
Referee: Evan Vanios 7.
Cautions: Ward, Little (Mak).

PRESTON MAKEDONIA:
Potter 8 — Fox 8 — Miranda 8, Beech 8 — Petrovski 7, Flavell 7, McMillan 7, Little 8 — Brown 8, Lucchesi 8 (Offerton 75th), Ward 8.

SYDNEY OLYMPIC: P. Wilson 6 — Rogers 7, Ziras 8, Rowden 6, Scott 8 — Phillips 6 (K. Wilson 7, 50th.), Katholos 7, Raskopoulos 7, Jennings 8 — Redfern 7, Koussas 6.

Coach Peter Ollerton's defence and counter-attack plan worked to perfection as Preston Makedonia scored a 4-1 victory over league leader Sydney Olympic at Connor Reserve.

Ollerton assigned men to mark the Olympic midfielders and wingers, and relied on long searching balls to the strikers.

The first such attack resulted in a goal five minutes before half-time.

Gary Ward played a through ball to Claude Lucchesi, who left fullback Martyn Rogers in his wake before going around goalkeeper Peter Wilson and planting the ball into the net.

Makedonia was two up within five minutes.

Lucchesi broke away again,

delayed until he saw support, and then crossed the ball to Ward who headed over Wilson.

Makedonia increased its lead to four with two goals by Doug Brown in the three minutes after half-time.

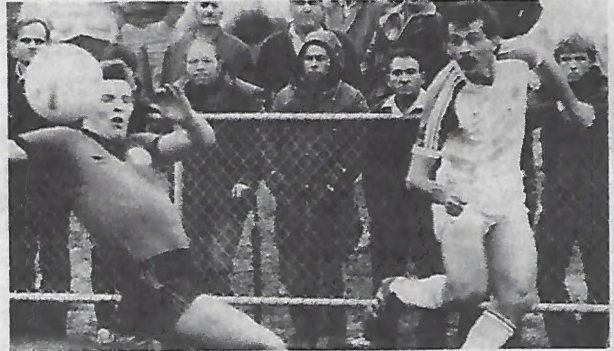
Brown scored his first with a volley after accepting a square pass from John Little.

Gordon Flavell gave Brown the opening for his second goal by heading on a cross from Graham Fox.

Olympic reacted by sending on substitute Ken Wilson for Gary Phillips, who had been given a torrid time by John Little.

Makedonia almost scored again when Lucchesi ran into the open only to see his shot hit the leg of goalkeeper Peter Wilson.

Although Olympic was allowed to attack most of the



Doug Brown (left) scorer of two Makedonia goals, does defensive duties against Olympic's star winger Graham Jennings.

Terry Byrne blunders and JUST pounces

Canberra 2 Footscray JUST 2

Scorers, Can: Purdie, T. Byrne; JUST: Lujic, Ristovski.

CANBERRA: Hoszowski 8, Ambrosino 8, Byrne 7, Milovanovic 8, Moutopoulos 7, Stone 7, Byrne, G., 9, Christopoulos 7, Purdie 8, Brennan 1 (Reis 66th), Gibson 7.

FOOTSCRAY: Ciric 8, Stojcavski 7, O'Reilly 8, Kondariot 7, Hazabent 7, Milne 8, Pilevaljic 7, Lujic 7, Kojic 7, Ristovski 8, Iliovski 8.

Ref: Bob Mee 7.
Cautions: G. Byrne (Canberra), Pilevaljic, Hazabent (Footscray).
Crowd: 2500.

Never under-rate any team. Canberra almost learned that lesson the hard way in Canberra last Sunday when made to struggle all the way to earn a 2-2 draw against Footscray JUST.

Canberra had confidently expected to collect maximum points.

It did stretch its unbeaten run to six games — one of the best records in the PSL — but two disastrous defensive blunders allowed the visitors to lead 2-1 at half-time.

Footscray, always a difficult side to play, was allowed to play its push and run game — one that suited fleet-footed forwards like Mendo Ristovski and Zdravko Lujic.

Both are still amongst the most dangerous in the game if allowed to run to manoeuvre.

Yet it was two disastrous first half defensive blunders that almost paved the way for an upset Footscray victory.

And the usual superb, calm Terry Byrne can shoulder full responsibility for one of them — and almost a second.

The first blunder saw Byrne robbed in possession by Mendo Ristovski in the 19th minute whose ground pass then split Canberra's defence and was collected by Iliovski.

Iliovski was through with only Canberra's goalkeeper, Steve Hoszowski, to beat. He shot hard and low — and fortuitously it hit Hoszowski's foot and was deflected for a corner.

It was a real let off.

Yet it was Canberra which was first to score.

And it was a well-executed and well-taken goal.

Midfielder Ian Stone made good ground on the left flank and his ground cross was flicked on by striker Tony Brennan.

The ball ran true — at the feet of Ian Purdie a mere five yards out who thumped it into the right hand corner of the net.

Yet six minutes later Footscray levelled from the first of the defensive blunders.

Byrne had plenty of time to move but delayed his pass which Lujic intercepted. He then proceeded to dribble around Hoszowski before firing into an empty net.

And six minutes from half-time the second defensive blunder allowed Footscray to have a 2-1 half-time lead.

Young defender John Moutopoulos went high for a centre, pulled it down but sent his pass straight to Mendo Ristovski.

"Thanks" said Ristovski from the edge of the penalty area from where he hammered the ball past Hoszowski.

Within three minutes scores were level. Purdie floated over to the left flank then glided the ball around a defender and as it bounced low Terry Byrne still got his head to it to score and make amends for his first half blunder.

For the next 10 minutes it was all Canberra, but it just couldn't finish.

Then the game degenerated into a hacking, rugged affair and referee Bob Mee was quick to hand out three yellow cards — two to Footscray and one to Canberra.

And Tony Brennan was replaced injured in the 66th minute by Alan Reis who was cruelly hurt in a tackle only to still come within a whisker of getting the winner.

His first attempt late in the game was saved by Ciric, who had a great game, but the second left him well beaten only to crack against the post.

For Footscray, smiles in taking a point. For Canberra disappointment. It was one it should have won.



Peter Windsor

PERIN'S TACTICS WIN REVENGE



Meno Toutsidis

Adelaide City 0 Sydney City 0

Cautions: Mullen, Watson (Syd City); Northcote, J. Nykohus (Adel City).
Ground: Olympic Sports Field.

Crowd: 3600.
Referee: Stewart Mellings 5.

ADELAIDE CITY: Ferguson 8 — Russell 8, Flounders 8, Banfield 8, B. Nykohus 8 — Malta 6, Marocchi 6, Signore 6 (Rankin 70th), J. Nykohus 7, Villani 7, Northcote 7.

SYDNEY CITY: Clarke 7 — Mullen (Murray 33rd), O'Connor 8, Robertson 8, Spanos 8 — Cant 7, Petikas 7, Borges 7, Mitchell 6, Kosmina 7, Watson 7.

John Perin's Adelaide City partly avenged the Mother's Day massacre of 1977 when it held Sydney City to a 4-4 draw at Olympic Sports Field.

It was on the same day five years ago that Sydney City thrashed Adelaide City 6-1 in Sydney — City's worst ever defeat.

There was little hope of City dishing out the same treatment it received on that occasion because of Perin's defensive tactics.



David Mitchell (No.11), playing against his former club, Adelaide City, rises high over goalkeeper Bobby Ferguson for this header. In front of Ferguson is Sydney City's John Kosmina. Picture by FRANK HOBBS.

Perin obviously wanted at least a point and though the game suffered, his tactics were justified.

His defence blotted out John Kosmina and David Mitchell while Sydney City's Steve O'Connor and Alex Robertson used similar strong-arm

tactics against John Nykohus and Brian Northcote.

The match opened quietly and it was only the aggressive charging of former City striker David Mitchell that had the crowd on its feet.

Mitchell swung a boot at City keeper Bobby Ferguson in

the first few minutes as the former English star gathered in a ball.

And a few minutes later Mitchell collided with a City player which drew a few harsh words from Mellings.

Sydney City enjoyed territorial advantage for the first 30 minutes but with defenders glued to their backs Kosmina and Mitchell could not turn pressure into goals.

However Kosmina did well to test Ferguson with a solid shot in the 28th minute.

And two minutes later Nello Borges drove in a firm ground shot which Ferguson smothered.

Sydney City lost full back Kevin Mullen 15 minutes before half time with a leg injury.

But his replacement Willie Murray was an adequate substitute though he did not produce the form which led to West Adelaide's downfall earlier in the season.

The match came to life for the first time midway through the second half when City forced the pace.

Luciano Signore almost opened the scoring with a shot which went over Todd Clarke but was cleared off the line.

And seven minutes before half time John Nykohus struck a wicked volley over the bar from Charley Villani's free kick.

In between this Kosmina, who scored the only goal in the corresponding match last year, headed inches wide.

Adelaide City fronts up at Marconi Stadium and send his team to within two points of Sydney Olympic.

It was Marconi's fourth straight victory and one which will give this young side a lot of courage. Without Allan

Maier and Renato Licata, Marconi looked doomed against South Melbourne, the team which most people call a star-studded outfit, but I am yet to find out why.

Maybe because of the players' names, but that's about all.

It was a game of two halves with Hellas certainly holding the edge in the first half and Marconi being the better side in the second. Hellas appeared to hit the front as early as the 12th minute after a free kick by Alan Evans. A short pass to Stevenson was followed by a thunderbolt and Tony Veneri was beaten. However, the linesman had his flag up for offside and the referee went out to the line for consultation.

One big "Ah" came from Sam Pappas in the press box as Peter Rampley recalled the goal giving Mar-

STOP PRESS



Dockerty for Hellas

Tommy Docherty (pictured) attended South Melbourne Hellas's training last night (Tuesday) and is expected to be in charge of the team against Brisbane Lions on Sunday.

Apparently Hellas coach John Margaritis has agreed to work in conjunction with Docherty whose wage is reputed to be \$1000 a week until he agrees to sign a contract.

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to Olympic what it can expect from now on



Laurie Schwab

time it did not look like scoring until the 60th minute, when Fox was forced to clear off the goal line after Mark Koussas had beaten goalkeeper Steve Potter.

Six minutes later Jim Ziras won a penalty for Olympic.

It was awarded against Little but Little did not appear to have fouled Ziras.

Jim Redfern scored from the penalty to make the score 4-1.

Olympic was awarded another penalty in the 70th minute over a foul by Ljube

Petrovski on Ken Wilson, but this time Redfern missed. Olympic continued to attack and in the 75th minute Ian Rowden hit the post with a shot while lying on the ground.

Ollerton brought himself on as a substitute for Lucchesi one minute later and the match ended with Gary Ward hitting the crossbar with a powerful drive.

Makedonia left out three senior players forward Rob Cullen and midfielders Peter Boyle and Alan Whittle.

Ward came in for Cullen and Stephen Beech and George McMillan replaced the other two.

Makedonia's midfield markers were Little on Phillips, McMillan on Katholos, Flavell on Raskopoulos, and Petrovski on Jennings.

Jennings is listed as a midfielder because he came from deep in his winger's role. Al-

though Petrovski gave him some spirited opposition, Jennings still was Olympic's best player.

Katholos and Raskopoulos had a lot of the ball in midfield but found few openings because of Makedonia's tight play.

Although it lost this match, Olympic still looked a highly accomplished side and its entertainment value is without question.

And let's be clear about Ollerton's tactics. They would not have worked with a side that does not have the adventurous outlook of Olympic, for it was only because Olympic persisted with its attacking approach that it left itself open to Makedonia's counter-attacks.

Other teams will play against Olympic the same way, so there's a need to vary Olympic's approach. When opponents defend in numbers and

refuse to leave gaps, isn't it preferable to stop attacking for a while, drop back, and wait for the opponents to come at you?

On the other hand, that sort of approach makes sense when you're one or perhaps two goals down, with time to retaliate. There's not much sense in it when you're trailing by four goals.

As for Makedonia, its more difficult matches will be against teams that don't have the confidence to attack the way Olympic does.

And having won an awesome reputation through this win, other teams will start treating Makedonia the way Makedonia treated Olympic.

Still, in games where more emphasis must be placed on controlled build-up, Makedonia is fortunate in that it can call back Peter Boyle and Alan Whittle.



It's Mark Koussas (left) against Richard Miranda in an aerial duel, with Gary Ward (right) getting set in case it comes to him. The Olympic player behind them is Andy Scott.

Tansey comes back, Paton ends goal drought

Heidelberg 3 APIA 2

Scorers: Cole 32nd, Rooney 49th, Paton 77th (HU); Giampolo 48th pen, Bradley 80th. Ground: Olympic Village. Crowd: 3000 estimated.

Cautions: Soper, Oliver.

Referee: Bambridge 7. **HEIDELBERG:** Oliver 7, McMillan 7, Yeendorn 8, MacLeod 8, Tansey 7, Rooney 8, Campbell 8 (Ivan 86th), Taylor 7, Boskias 7, Cole 7, Paton 7.

LEICHHARDT: Woodhouse 7; Gray 7, Pullen 8, McAuland 8, Hughes 7, Bradley 8, Burrows 8 (Kafka 78th), Butler 8; Morsello 7, Soper 7, Giampolo 7.

Len McKendry will hardly believe his luck this week as he might actually have selection problems with the return of Charlie Yankos and Theo Seledidis.

Up till now it has been a matter of hoping the 12 players in his squad don't get injured or suspended and for Sunday's game he had to push Jim Tansey into an earlier comeback than he would have liked.

Tansey had been planning for a June return although he has already fully recovered from the knee injury which had sidelined him for the past nine months.

"My knee's a 100 percent but I wasn't sure I'd have the lungs or the legs to go through 90 minutes," Tansey said.

His doubts proved unfounded at the end of a game of old with the left wing overlaps and pinpoint crosses into the area.

And there was no mistaking the pleasure he derived from being back in the scene again.

"It's good to be back — just great to be playing again," he said. "It felt so strange and I know I can play a lot better but the main thing is my knee came through alright."

Another player just as satisfied was Jamie Paton who got back on the scoring list after a nine month drought which had been hanging round his neck like a noose.

And the striker chose a great way to hit the back of the net to end the barren run producing the goal of the match with out of nothing.

He controlled a low pass then cut inside before unleashing a shot from outside the area which left Socceroo keeper Greg Woodhouse stranded on its way to the top corner of the net.

The goal was Heidelberg's third and how important it proved to be in the end as the home team's defence crumbled under the pressure in the closing stages.

The visitors trailed 1-3 with 13 minutes to go but stepped up the pace to push the Heidelberg back four into all sorts of bother.

Don MacLeod blocked a shot from Tony Morsello but hit his back pass over Oliver onto the

crossbar before it was finally hacked away for a corner.

But the relief proved only temporary as from the resultant corner kick, John Bradley weaved his way into the area to make it 2-3.

From then on it was a matter of booting it anywhere until Chris Bambridge finally relieved them of their misery with the final whistle.

Heidelberg had opened the scoring through Gary Cole who got two bites at the cherry running on to the rebound after his first shot was charged down and his second shot might have taken a slight deflection to end up in the net.

Leichhardt equalised three minutes into the second half with a penalty awarded for handball by John Yzendoorn which was converted by Sebastian Giampolo.

Jimmy Rooney got Heidelberg's second in the 59th minute shooting home from close range after Cole had headed the ball down for him following a Tansey freekick.



Peter Desira

Williamson scores at last

Bris Lions 2 Wollongong 0

Venue: Richards Stadium.

Crowd: About 1200.

Referee: Allan Kibbler 9.

Scorers: Low, Williamson.

LIONS: Lowndes 8,

McKimmings 7, Bennett 8,

Ferris 8, Niven 7, Atmore 7,

Lains 7, Hogg 7, Low 6

(Wright 78th), Williamson 7,

Millman 7.

WOLLONGONG: Preston 8,

Willis 7, Bortogna 8, Dunleavy

7, Ainsworth 7, Adam 7, Fle-

ming 7, Costello 7, Gaffney 7

(Kear 63rd), O'Connor 7, Tre-

dennick 7.

Billy Williamson's seven

week goal drought was finally

broken last weekend and it

at least appeared if Wollongong



Ricky Rosso

keeper Jim Preston helped him do it.

The Lions striker who scored nearly a goal a game in his appearances late last year got the long-awaited goal with one of his weakest shots of the match. Williamson was on the edge of the box and mistimed a

left foot shot to the bottom right hand corner.

Preston was obviously unrighted and he failed to move as the ball headed towards the goal and finally when he did see his desperate attempt was too late the ball hit the inside of the upright and rolled into the back of the net.

Williamson held his head in his hand in disbelief when he saw the ball go in as he had three earlier top class shots brilliantly saved by the Wollongong keeper.

Williamson fully deserved his goal against Wollongong as he had worked hard throughout the match. On several occasions he even showed speed to rival Lions lightning fast winger Craig Low.

The form of midfielder

Mark Atmore must also be pleasing for Gilroy as the former Rotherham player has settled well and has repeatedly shown some simple, but high percentage football.

Lions first goal, which was actually put into the goal by Craig Low, was entirely due to lead-up work from Atmore.

The powerful midfielder played a quick one-two with Williamson then rode some wild Wollongong tackles before skewing his shot to Low.

Wollongong failed to get on the scoresheet but it was not for want of chances. Lions keeper Nigel Lowndes was again in top form, particularly his punching while under pressure, but that can be no real excuse for some of the Wollongong misses.



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At least the ref was exciting!

Newcastle 0 Bris. City 0

Ground: International

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Crowd: 2383.

Cautions: Liddell (BC) 80th.

Referee: Jim Reeves (53rd

Otto Scavak).

Newcastle: Dando 8, Enda-

catt 6, Smyth 7, Sneddon 7,

Thompson 7, Senkalaki 7,

Jones 5, Mason 7, Gemmell 8,

Lowe 6.

BRISBANE CITY: Pozzano

8, Vincenzino 5, Perry 7, Har-

miston 7, Liddell 6, Hamilton

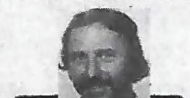
6, Pimblott 6, McVeigh 7,

Connor 6, Glockner 6, Carey 6.

The clash of the two bottom teams in the P.S.L. produced just what one would expect, a dull uninspiring game, and judging by last week's performance it is difficult to imagine either of these teams getting away from their present position.

The biggest cheer of the day went to referee Jim Reeves when in the 53rd minute he was forced to leave the field with a pulled calf muscle. His place was taken by Otto Scavak who safely saw the game to its ending without any further problems.

Fortunately for everybody



Joe Lanzoni

concerned the second half showed more purpose from both sides and Newcastle almost broke the deadlock in the 58th minute when a short back pass by Vincenzo to his goalkeeper saw David Lowe pounding on the ball but his cut

back failed to find anybody to prod it home.

A few minutes later Brisbane City had its best chance of the game, when Carey found a gap in the centre of Newcastle's defence but his shot rebounded off the far upright before being cleared.

Pezzano was called on shortly afterwards to bring off a good save low down to his right from a good left foot shot by Craig Mason.

The final whistle brought a lot of relief to Brisbane City which finally earned its first point away from home.

JANKOVICS STARS!

coneri a free kick metres away from their own line.

Stevenson was not to be denied and unleashed yet another powerful drive in the 28th minute which Veneri failed to hold and Alun Evans picked up the rebound to score.

Marconi came back in the closing stages of this half and should have scored through Hilton Silva. It was an ideal opportunity for Marconi as a cross from the right found Silva unmarked at the far post, but his shot went well past the far post.

In the dying seconds of the first half Jankovics and Steve Blair vied for the ball close to Hellas's line and the referee had no hesitation in awarding a penalty.

For my money it was a harsh decision, and one which gave Marconi its equaliser through Bozanic from the penalty spot, but you could help feeling sorry for the de-



Alex Vesic

jected figure of Sam Papsavas at half time: "We were robbed, first over all a disallowed goal, then a dive by Jankovics and they get an equaliser," said Papsavas at half time.

While I could sympathise with Sam on the subject of those two crucial decisions during the first half, there was very little those players or their president could say after their miserable second-half showing.

I wonder if they should be paid for that effort.

No semblance of cohesion or attempt to play even those little "one-two's" just for the heck of it. In fact, some of the visiting players, angered by the first half decisions, decided to take the law into their own hands with Alun Evans committing a brutal tackle on Jovan Djordjevic and Rogers consistently dishing out some heavy stuff.

Rogers, Egan and Evans went into the book following their second or third offences, while Bozanic was booked for a foul on Campbell, one of the Melbourne players to go through this game with his reputation intact.

Mark Jankovics, Marconi's best player on the day, was booked for throwing the ball away.

Marconi's dominance in the second half paid off in the 62nd minute but a little help from new player Gary Bennett.

It appeared that a Marconi move including Henderson and Budini was cut off by Bennett as he tried to push it back to the keeper, Hunter was faster and got to the ball before Laumets to cut the ball across the goalmouth for Jankovics to tap it in.

Ten minutes later, Jankovics could have scored again but for his out-of-form team mate Djordjevic. A cross by Hunter was coming straight at Jankovics but Djordjevic beat his team mate to the ball, sending it well past the post.

Bozanic "scored" in the 82nd minute but through the side netting, then Hunter's shot in the last minute was well saved by Laumets. At the other end, Branko Buljovic came on for Rogers and in his inimitable fashion almost scored.



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Doveton winger Alan Quin.

Threat to Croatia

Winger Alan Quin looms as the main danger to Melbourne Croatia's hopes of recording a resounding victory over Doveton at Olympic Park's main ground on Sunday.

The elusive Quin played a major part in Doveton's fightback against Croatia in last year's State League Cup Final and he'll have to be watched closely.

Croatia president Joe Sigur was so impressed with Quin in the State League Cup that he wanted to sign the former Albion Rovers and Dandenong City star.

Another dazzling performance from Quin could make Sigur regret not following his plan through and signing Quin earlier this season.

If Quin plays on Doveton's left he'll run into one of Croatia's most consistent performers in recent signing Tony Curcio from Juventus.

Curcio has the pace and recovery to stick tight to Quin throughout the match so he may be the man picked by Croatia coach Bill McArthur to keep Quin quiet.

Doveton coach Ernie Merrick probably will give Paul Corke the job of marking Dave Brogan.

It's a mystery to me why Brogan wasn't selected in the State squad when injuries created vacancies.

Every time I've watched the former Croydon striker play this season he's been in superb touch. His close ball skills, clever off-the-ball running and lethal shooting power have made him my pick as the most impressive State League striker so far this season.

If Brogan turns it on against Doveton then experienced goalkeeper Lou Ivanoff will be forced into a series of spectacular saves to keep Croatia at bay.

Little Ossie Latif won't be available for Sunday's game as he'll be in Canberra with the Victorian youth team contesting the national titles.

Latif though has been going through a dismal period. Perhaps his confidence will return when he completes at youth level. With Ajax slipping into second spot in the league ladder it's imperative for Croatia to win and win well against Doveton to maintain its two point lead at the top.

On paper the Doves look undermanned. Certainly they haven't got the number of quality players that Croatia has however you can never underestimate Doveton's fighting qualities.

— CRAIG MACKENZIE

Hellas' storm, Canale denies termistor runner

South Melbourne Hellas has become a political hotbed once more, a throwback to Hellas 1979 style, the year in which club finished at the bottom of the PSL.

The supporters aren't the only players unhappy. Many players are disgruntled by the events of recent weeks, but recent upheavals are merely the climax of a series of events which threatened and finally toppled the high spirits of the club earlier this season when victory in the Ampol Cup seemed a portent of league success.

Grant Turner arrived with a big reputation from New Zealand. He left with his tail between his legs a couple of months later following a dismal Ampol Cup series, a couple of reasonable PSL performances and a blow-up with coach John Margaritis after being taken off against Sydney City.

Vince Bannon left to join Juventus in State League. No-one realised the extent of the gaping hole left at right back.

Young Socrates Nicolaides was promoted to an unaccustomed position. Primarily a midfielder, Nicolaides took time to settle into his new role.

Alan Davidson was parading his talents in midfield after making a name for himself in Australian soccer as a left back.

Jim Shirra was at left back. He'd played as a full back in top-flight Scottish football but while Hellas continued to struggle in midfield where Davidson's precocious talents seemed misplaced, Shirra remained at left back.

David Jones was bought from Adelaide City as a replacement for Steve Blair, holidaying in Scotland. Blair returned and wasn't impressed. Nicolaides eventually made way for Blair to play right back. Blair never was comfortable there. A selection showdown for the stopper's position always was imminent between Blair and Jones.

Jones lost out. Some players weren't pleased about the way Jones was treated. He was placed on the transfer list even though he hadn't really put in a bad game for Hellas and had been a model clubman during his short spell with the club. Within a fortnight Jones was back in the good books once more.

Captain Alan Evans was out of form. He looked disgruntled on the field as if he lacked confidence. No matter how he tried things just didn't turn out right for him. Some pundits claimed that Evans, used as a target man up front, wasn't getting support from his midfielders. There often wasn't anyone for Evans to lay the ball back to, they claimed. Whatever the reasons behind Evans' loss of form his inability to turn it on represented a major loss to the Hellas strike force.

Bertie Luton never was happy. Understandably so. When a player can't get a regular game he isn't happy.

Luton chose to accept a free transfer last week. As we went to press there was talk that Green Gully Ajax would sign him.

John Stevenson was told recently that he had to lose weight. Strange. When Stevenson was part of the successful Hellas line-up earlier in the season nothing was mentioned about his need to lose weight. When things started going sour Stevenson became one of the scapegoats. Truthfully, he's had his weight problem for some time so why wait until recent times to discipline the player?

Let's not forget about Kiwi international winger Steve Wooddin. He was injured during the Ampol Cup, played only a handful of PSL games before returning to New Zealand and to take part in World Cup preparations, then decided that he didn't want to return.

Hellas tried to solve the problems it created for itself at right back by trying to sign big Peter Lewis from Ajax. Lewis wouldn't budge. A keen family man, he was more interested in watching his children grow up than in leaving about Australia every second week with Hellas.

The Lewis episode is indicative of Hellas' answer to problems — buy, buy, buy. Lewis said no so Hellas went after his team mate Gerry Bennett and signed him for \$5,000 late last week.

Bennett's a good player. He'll do well at Hellas, but the buying philosophy which Hellas adopts has yet to bring the club success in the PSL.

Meanwhile a curious political joust is developing between the committee and coach.

Margaritis stands in one corner not knowing whether to adopt an orthodox or subversive stance while being faced by a committee which says it will give him its full support. With one queer proviso though. If Margaritis must go it won't stand in his way.

Increasingly Margaritis must feel himself being pushed into a situation from which there is only one avenue of escape — to resign.

Ajax kept

Dunne happy

Jimmy Dunne has returned to Brisbane with a plate and pins inserted in the leg he broke two and a half weeks ago against Footscray JUST.

During his stay in the orthopaedic section of the Western General hospital the Brisbane City sweeper and former Eire international had time to ponder the reticence of his club to contact him and the greater trauma he would have suffered had he broken his leg in Adelaide or Sydney.

Team mates Kim Wishart and Frank Pimblett have phoned to wish Dunne well and a speedy recovery. Brisbane City officials and coach Nereo Satic have been strangely quiet.

Dunne came to Australia in 1980 to play with Victorian State League club Green Gully Ajax. The likeable Irishman struck up friendships during his season in Victoria which proved to be warm and lasting in the light of his recent experiences.

Ajax president Guy Spliter opened his house to Dunne's wife and children, who flew down from Brisbane.

Ajax manager-coach Bobby McLachlan was a constant visitor to Dunne's bedside, not that the 1980 Bill Flemming Medal winner was



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left out in the cold. A regular procession of players, coaches and journalists have visited Dunne.

Guido Canale Brisbane City secretary, assured me that Dunne was insured by the club and won't be out of pocket.

The plate in Dunne's leg will remain there for 18 months and his surgeon was hopeful that Dunne could resume light training in about four months' time.

I hope so. Dunne's a model professional. It may sound a bit corny but take it from me, he's also a genuine good guy.

And the way Brisbane City is going it had better hope that its star defender is back in action quickly.

Canale denied recent rumors that new signing Jim Hermon was about to replace Satic as coach.

The board of directors met last week and decided to give Nereo Satic their full support, said Canale.

Lady Luck has been against us recently. It started when we lost three top class players to other clubs at the end of last season then we had to suffer a rash of injuries this year.

Brisbane City is struggling financially like so many other PSL clubs. It cost the club almost \$1 million to build a new grandstand last year so it's unlikely that other players can be bought to help City push clear of the relegation zone this year.

Bojczuk at \$15,000

Adelaide City may have to come up with about \$15,000 if it wants to sign striker Wally Bojczuk from Azzurri.

City and Azzurri have been talking for almost three weeks about the possibility of Bojczuk, the 1980 Rothmans Medal winner, leading State League and returning to the PSL.

Bojczuk tasted PSL soccer briefly in 1977 with ill-fated Mooroolbark before returning to South Australia where he made a name for himself as a goal scorer with Beograd. Azzurri bought him in 1981 from Beograd for \$9,000.

"To us Wally's almost invaluable," said Azzurri secretary Ted Iuliano.

"He was the top scorer in State League last year with an average in excess of a goal a game and he's well on the way to repeating the dose this season."

"He's also a tremendous personality. He's a real headline grabber and frankly a lot of our sponsors signed up with us because Wally was in the team."

"He'd be bloody hard to replace at the best of times, more so now that the league season has started and Azzurri is heading for a second successive championship."

Despite Iuliano's reticence to let Bojczuk move, should

Adelaide City come up with \$15,000 you can take it from me that it will have Azzurri's goal machine wearing a black and white striped shirt.

Bojczuk would be an ideal replacement for Dave Mitchell, transferred to Sydney City Hakoah about four weeks ago for \$30,000.

Adelaide City though, still in the process of reducing its debt to half of the Mitchell transfer money may not be available to buy Bojczuk.

New man for Ilinden

Rockdale Ilinden expects English import Alan Johnson to arrive within a week.

The NSW State League newcomer has high hopes that striker Johnson will help it climb up the league table.

The NSW federation told me that Johnson once was on the books of Sheffield United. I studied the last eight Rothmans Football Yearbooks put out by the English FA but Johnson's name didn't appear on United's lists.

The federation told me that it had to get a clearance from Johnson's last club, Sundowner Sun, which plays in minor league football in Liverpool.

Anyway, to finish the story, Johnson originally was coming here to join St George but once the PSL club used up its visa vacancies in stepped Rockdale and snapped him up. Only on loan though. If St George likes what it sees when it watches Johnson in action in the State League it can gain his services next season.

Rockdale, a Macedonian sponsored club, is in its first year of State League competition after merging with North Sydney Inter. North Sydney, Italian sponsored, was forced into the merger by increasing financial difficulties. Inter considered mergers with Wollongong United and Kurragal before Rockdale successfully negotiated an amalgamation.

A former Inter official is reputed to have poured \$48,000 into the club during its two seasons before amalgamation.

TSF is Foothless

The Tasmanian Soccer Federation has about as much bite as the Tasmanian tiger.

The believed-to-be extinct mammal is an appropriate symbol for a federation which doesn't even run its own State League.

For the past four years the TSF had something to do — administer the Statewide Tasmanian State League. However geography or, as noted Australian historian Geoff Blamey called it, "the tyranny of distance" has caught up with the TSF.

The problem of getting people in the north to travel to

the south or vice versa to watch a State League game between a southern and northern side caused the TSF again to split the statewide State League into a northern and southern affair.

The northern version comes under the auspices of the Northern Soccer Association and the North Western Soccer Association while the southern version is in the hands of the Tasmanian Soccer Association.

So what does the TSF run? The annual Ampol Cup competition.

Yet the TSF is represented on the ASF executive. Therefore a body which doesn't even organise a State League competition has the power to put forward proposals which can have direct implications for the day-to-day running of state League North in Tassie or State League South.

Yet let's not make the TSF appear like some sort of soccer autocrat. The board of management of the TSF is made up of members from the Northern Soccer Association, the North Western Soccer Association and Tasmanian Soccer Association.

All well and good. It does however smack of bureaucracy gone mad, doesn't it? Why not let one centralised body run the whole affair and be done with it?

Let the present bodies become nothing more than affiliate organisations of the TSF, answerable to the TSF and subordinated by the TSF's power of veto over their proposals.

Sport in the Apple Isle continues to fight a parochial battle between northern and southern interests.

With regard to Tasmanian soccer the present situation is one in which the north and the north west can, if they wish, gang up on the south and kill off any southern proposal they care to.

Hobson not sacked

Victorian First Division club Doncaster Rovers didn't sack coach Norm Hobson as reported in this column last week.

The former Croydon coach resigned from his post as Rover's coach and the club appointed John Sanchez as Hobson's successor.

Frankly, I committed a journalistic sin by not phoning Hobson and discussing the matter when news reached me about his loss of the position.

I dealt with Hobson regularly during his stint as coach of Croydon in State League and I always found him approachable and honest. He hadn't changed when I spoke to him about the mistake in last week's column.

"I resigned. I came in after the home loss to Altona Gate and told the players that I felt someone else was needed as coach and that I was resigning from the position."

"The players at Doncaster are good enough to get the club out of its present plight and push up the ladder. I've got no doubts about that."

"Perhaps the players can respond to a new voice. I hope so for the club's sake."

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Former South Melbourne Hellas and Heidelberg-Alexander coach Manny Poulakakis (left) chats with Panathinaikos manager Stefan Kovac, coach Lakis Petropoulos and assistant coach Kalogeris (right) in Athens. Poulakakis will take over as coach of the Panathinaikos amateurs after the World Cup. In the meantime, he's off to England with Bakoniaris and Kalogeris to do a refresher coaching course.

Kosmina No. 1, McGachey a hit, Newcastle critics slammed

S.A. doesn't get credit it deserves says Vest

In just half a season, Alan Vest has transformed West Adelaide, Hellenes from an incompetent team, twice reprieved from relegation, into one of the PSL's early season pacemakers.

The disastrously inept displays of 1980 and '81 were cast aside as bad memories, as West Adelaide stretched its unbeaten run to six games by thrashing Heidelberg 4-0, just 10 months after the Victorians had crushed West 5-0 on the same ground.

Now only a major form reversal can stop West Adelaide from challenging for a position in the top four, which will be its best effort in the PSL apart from the 1978 title success.

Vest joined West last November after guiding Newcastle for four and a half seasons.

Vest, 42, played Rugby League and Union in England as a teenager and turned to soccer when he was 15.

He later signed as an amateur with Leeds United and at 17 signed professional forms with his home side Barnsley where he spent six years.

In 1971 he went to New Zealand as player manager with national league side Gisborne City and captained New Zealand in more than 20 internationals, including games against Australia.

After three years in New Zealand he moved to Perth and retired as a player to become the WA Director of Coaching and State coach.

He later returned to England to coach league team Rochdale before taking charge of Newcastle in 1978.

In this interview with "Soccer Action's" Meno Toutsidis, he talks about his reign at Newcastle, about his new team West Adelaide and about Rudi Gutendorf's Socceroos.

TOUTSIDIS: You've made an impressive start to the season, but realistically how far can you go this year?

VEST: I think to make a real impression at the top we could do with a couple more players. We've got a limited squad but the thing that is going for us at the moment is that we have good team spirit and we're working hard and so there is no reason why we shouldn't make a push for the top four.

TOUTSIDIS: Did you set the team a goal at the start of the season?

VEST: I set a schedule in terms of accumulating points. I split them into three groups of 10 games. In the first 10 games we got a bit of bonus as a result of picking up four points in the first two games of that second bracket of 10 games and with Summer and Booth available for the last 10 games, I will be looking for 13 points. I think that should get us into the top four. If we can grab eight points from the next eight games, we are on target.

Toutsidis: When you joined the club what was your top priority?

VEST: When I first came here the top priority was to get back the morale of the players and to get them out of the relegation zone.

Toutsidis: Is the team playing as you want it too or must it improve further?

VEST: Things are starting to fall into place now and if we continue to work at it and if we continue to improve then I think we can be a good side.

Toutsidis: Do you have a particular philosophy on playing styles?

VEST: First of all it depends on which players you've got. If you're in charge of a national side or a representative team you can adopt a system and select the players who will be suited to that system. But when you're with a club you have to work around the players you have. You've got to play to your strengths. As far as West Adelaide is concerned I am concerned, I despaired at the start about what we were going to play with in the back. One of the problems in the game in Australia is that not many defenders know how to defend. They all want to be Peles. Even the best players in the world have to whack it over the stand if they're in trouble.

Toutsidis: Has West Adelaide surprised you with its performances, particularly in the past five or six weeks?

VEST: Not really. I told the players before the start of the season that if we had good team spirit, fitness and commitment we were half way there. Now, to win the league you need "extras".

Toutsidis: What do you consider has been your best performance of the season?

VEST: The performance, against Heidelberg (a 4-0 win) was one of the better ones, so too was our away games against South Melbourne (2-2 draw) and Preston (1-1 draw).

Toutsidis: Does it annoy you that despite West Adelaide's success this season, some critics dismiss the team rather lightly?

VEST: I experienced this with Newcastle too. It seems that if you are not in Sydney or Melbourne, you don't get the Press you deserve. And this goes for players as well. I am sure there would have been more players from Adelaide in the national side if they had been with Sydney clubs.



Alan Vest makes a speech. Vest has worked wonders at West Adelaide after his moving from Newcastle.



Neil McGachey — the elegant sweeper whose calm, composed play has been instrumental in West Adelaide's dramatic improvement.

Toutsidis: Neil McGachey has made a remarkable return to top form after suffering that broken leg in 1979. How important is he to the club?

VEST: He's been incredibly important to the side. The backline worried me like hell to start with. Neil has used his experience, he's enjoying his game and he's been one of the successes in terms of how well we've done so far. I saw him only a couple of times in the year (1978) West won the league but I think he's playing even better than he was then.

Toutsidis: Your win over Heidelberg was the first time this season you'd beaten a major team. Is that significant?

VEST: I think that is a good sign. I honestly believe some players feel intimidated when they go out against the teams of the calibre of Sydney City. Maybe after beating Heidelberg — which had the best away record in the league, that intimidation may disappear.

Toutsidis: West Adelaide has a history of sacking coaches. Have you ever felt threatened?

VEST: I haven't felt threatened from the point of view of getting the sack. We've had some differences since the start of the season but they've resolved themselves fairly well and I think the present board of directors seems to want to get the club on a sound footing.

Toutsidis: Were those differences related to the team?

VEST: No, not at all. Nobody has interfered with the team nor dictated who should be in the side. There is no way I would allow that anyway; if that were the case I wouldn't stay. That was one of the pre-requisites.

Toutsidis: How do you plan to counter the loss of Alan Booth and Steve Sumner who are on World Cup duty with NZ?

VEST: Yes, they are a big loss but we were without Steve for eight weeks and we were without Alan on occasions through injury, suspension and through being left out. We are going to have to cope. It is a period during which we will look to one or two young players. We've got a few points on the board and we've got a bit of momentum going, so maybe it is a good time to bring in at least one young player. But we will miss them, we will just have to hang in there and get the points.

TOUTSIDIS: Do you have any young players pencilled in as "possibles"?

VEST: I've been impressed with Billy Stefanopoulos, Ian McKie is another and so too is Kick Pantaras. I think Stefanopoulos has a lot going for him. He has a lot of natural ability, he's quick, he just has to learn now to play as a striker.

TOUTSIDIS: Do you think he is strong enough for the PSL?

VEST: Yes, I do. His great attribute of course is his speed apart from his skill. His speed will get him out of difficult situations. I think in this game if you have a bit of pace, you've got a bit of a chance I think it is when you lack pace that you're going to struggle.

TOUTSIDIS: How do you rate Azzurri's Wally Bojczuk?

VEST: I think he's the type of player who, though he is not elegant, will always score goals. I like him. I would be more than pleased if we could get him for next season.



MENO TOUTSIDIS

TOUTSIDIS: Some local critics are claiming centre back Robbie Dunn is the best central defender in the country. How good is he?

VEST: I wouldn't say he is the best centre-back in the country at the moment, but I think he can be. He's improved a hell of a lot since he came to the club in certain aspects of his game. When he first came to us he appeared as if he was apologising for being on the ground. He dropped his head a bit after the back-pass incident (John Kosmina scored to put Sydney City in the lead) in the game against Sydney City. He's got to overcome that, which he seems to have done. He's faced Cole and Mitchell, two of the best strikers in the country, and outplayed them. I don't think there is any question that he could go on to be as good as anyone in the country.

TOUTSIDIS: If money weren't a problem and the player was willing, who would you most like to bring to West Adelaide?

VEST: I've always been an admirer of Murray Barnes. I think he would do us a hell of a job on the left side of the ground. I've always liked Gary Byrne (Canberra).

TOUTSIDIS: Who do you consider is Australia's best player? Len McKendry gave John Yzendoorn that tag, but after his performance against West Adelaide, that hardly seems justified.

VEST: Yzendoorn is a fair player, but that is a load of rubbish what Lennie was talking about. The stuff about him being the complete player. I know John Yzendoorn; he's a good player, a very good player for Australian standards, but that's just talking nonsense. It's very hard to pick one outstanding player. Of the younger players I like Peter Katholos. I think he's got a lot going for him. But I don't think we have any outstanding players. That is not to say we don't have any good players. Of course we do. In certain games, certain players have impressed me. Doug Brown of Preston has impressed me on occasions, but disappointed me on others.

TOUTSIDIS: Who do you rate as the best striker in Australia?

VEST: Personally from what I've seen in the last year or so I would say on his day, John Kosmina. He's gone through a bad spell and he's coming back into it now.

TOUTSIDIS: Were you happy with what you achieved at Newcastle?

VEST: Very happy.

TOUTSIDIS: One Newcastle critic, writing in a recent issue of "Soccer World", launched a savage attack against you. He claimed you encouraged an English Fourth Division style with the emphasis on hard running. How do you react to criticism like that?

VEST: Well, firstly I can't understand how anyone could publish stuff like that. He's just a man off the street. Sure there were a few people in Newcastle who were critical for a number of reasons. Some were jealous, others were just ignorant of the difficulties involved in running the club. Even after the first year, if Paul Trisely had not poured money into the club it would have folded. It was a hell of a job then. Nobody said we had the best team in the world but we finished fifth twice in succession. They gave me \$30,000 to sign on a squad for the first year, and that included transfer and signing on fees and air fares. That was all we had to go on. Half the time we "pinched" players there.



Graham Heys, shadowed here by South Melbourne's George Campbell, has a new lease on life at West Adelaide.

TOUTSIDIS: It was an astonishing attack though, wasn't it?

VEST: You know, I'm not surprised. The other thing that I was criticised for was that I wasn't using local talent. On occasions we had six or seven locals in the side. And it was I who signed the young lads, that have come into the team this year.

TOUTSIDIS: What sort of a soccer town is Newcastle?

VEST: It is a town which is very parochial. They honestly believe they are the best in Australia and that they have the best players in Australia. They might have had 20 or 30 years ago, but it just doesn't follow like that. You see, there are one or two lads who have come from Newcastle who we didn't sign and who have done well with other clubs. There is no reason to suggest that they might have done well at Newcastle. Graham Heys is doing great for us here, but he needed to get away from Newcastle. Sometimes you've got to get away from an environment to get the best out of you.

TOUTSIDIS: Your comment on Heys surprises me. Is he playing better now than in his stint with Newcastle?

VEST: The first year he was with Newcastle, he was brilliant. He's always been a hot headed lad. We've had our clashes in the past. I've left him out on many occasions. But he has matured a lot. He was spoken to by the referee against Heidelberg for something he did. Now 18 months ago he would have been remonstrated and gone off his head. It was a love-hate relationship in the end between the crowd and Graham at Newcastle. Half of them hated him and half of them liked him. He's the type of player who needs praise. It really got to him. He was a disaster there last year. He's had a new lease of life here and he's probably been our most consistent player.

TOUTSIDIS: You've played most of the top sides. Who do you think will win the title?

VEST: I think Sydney City without doubt. The reason I tip them is that even though they have not been playing all that well, they continue to pick up points.

TOUTSIDIS: What is their successful formula which up to now no other side has managed to duplicate?

VEST: They buy well. You get other clubs like South Melbourne who spend a lot of money on players they don't need. They seem to buy players just because they come on to the market irrespective of what position they play. Now that, to me, is bad buying. Sydney City however seem to buy because they need them and because they will need them in the future. They seem to buy the right type of players who will carry them for a few years.

TOUTSIDIS: What of Sydney Olympic?

VEST: I think Olympic are doing well, but I also believe they will have their bad spell. It depends on how well they can come out of that bad spell.



Sydney City's John Kosmina scores in a World Cup game for Australia. Alan Vest rates him our No. 1 striker.



Although Heidelberg's Len McKendry rates John Yzendoorn (left) as the "complete" player, Alan Vest would rather have Sydney City's Murray Barnes (right) anytime.

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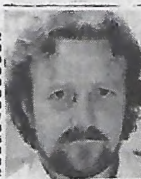
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McClunie faces his old club

The character of Morwell Falcons players will come under the microscope on Saturday when they take on Jim Adam's Hellas-Hakoah outfit at North Crinigan Reserve.

Falcons looked like a ramshackle side for long periods against Juventus on Saturday's game will give the Latrobe Valley club an opportunity to disprove critics claiming that Falcons' bubble has burst.

David Neale was injured and sadly missed last Sunday. His presence at left back is essential if Falcons are to stifle Hellas-Hakoah's strike force led by Tom Patsalos, Sean Rooney and talented Vlado Bozinski.

Falcons striker Richie McClunie won't need much motivating to perform well against his former club. McClunie will be well acquainted with the physical qualities of rugged Scot George Hannah, Hellas-Hakoah's stopper. While the janky McClunie should beat Hannah in the air, on the ground the tough stopper will give nothing away.

Ringwood Wilhelmina is starting to string together consistent performances and at its home ground at Jubilee Park on Saturday should provide a tough test for George Cross.

The Cross hit the goal trail with a vengeance against Sunshine. A feature of the match was the return to form of ex-Slavia and Croatia striker Carl Gilder, an ominous sign for opposition defenders.

With Gilder in form, a

SATURDAY
Ringwood Wilhelmina v George Cross at Jubilee Park, 2.45pm.
Morwell Falcons v Hellas-Hakoah at North Crinigan Reserve, 2.45pm.

SUNDAY
Northcote v Green Gully Ajax at John Cain Reserve, 3pm.
Croatia v Doveton at Olympic Park No. 1, 3pm.
Polonia v Frankston City at Raleigh Reserve, 3pm.
Sunshine v Croydon at Chaplin Reserve, 3pm.

Cross striker Bobby Toal could get onto the end of numerous chances and foal doesn't miss many.

Dependable Norm Maitland probably will mark Wilhelmina striker Joe Carroll and with consistent Steve Lawson sweeping up Cross looks likely to stand up to Wilhelmina's forward thrust.

I've gone for Juventus to beat Albion Rovers at Selwyn Park on Saturday with one proviso - Juventus will need to create about a dozen clear scoring chances to grab a goal.

Despite being reminded by quite a few Juventus players after the Falcons match that I had selected Falcons and despite the pleas of those players that I continue to select Juve to lose, I think that Paddy Bannon will have his defenders too well organised for the Albion attack.

That leaves the midfield and attacking lines left for discussion.

Albion will surprise if it has

more possession and in Ged Bannon, Juve has the best ball winner on either side.

So it's up to Fabio Incantuppo, Graham French and Tony Heery to do enough damage in the finishing department to give Juve both points.

Juve also will need a massive injection of luck to overcome the powerful jinx of having me tipping it to win.

Northcote looks doomed against Ajax at John Cain Reserve on Sunday.

The Northerners are about five players short of being a reasonable State League side so how can they hope to cope with the firepower of Paul Lewis, Gus Macleod, Gordon Wallace and, if fit, former Welsh international David Smallman?

Let's hope the magnificent new electronic scoreboard at John Cain Reserve is operating on full power so it can record all the Ajax goals.

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POCOCK STAYS ON

GEORGE CROSS 4 (Gambin, Toal, McCann, Rigby pen.) SUNSHINE 1 (D. Nelson)

GEORGE CROSS: Tachris 8 - Morgan 7 (Miss 60th), Lawson 6, McDonald 6, McKinley 5 - Vella 7, Bullock 7 (McCann 61st 7), Rigby 7 - Gambin 6, Toal 6, Gilder 6.

SUNSHINE: Contini 8 - Muscat 6, Greenhalgh 6, Lewis 7, Ellis 6 (McCann 75th) - Bain 5, R. Nelson 5, McNally 5 - Taylor 6 (McNally 65th), Pate 7, D. Nelson 6.

Joint Sunshine coach Ray Pocock denied a prevalent rumor that he'd resigned after this match.

Pocock admitted that he'd had a dispute with coaching cohort Steve Gaw however the pair have patched up their differences.

Sunshine probably put together its best first half of football for the season only to lose its unbeaten Buffalo Cup and State League run in a four goal second half burst by George Cross.

Sunshine's versatile Jimmy McRobert could be on the move. He is believed to be the target of two rival State League clubs.

And George Cross is ready to hold out an olive branch to dissident winger Jim Pappas, currently transfer listed at \$8,000.

Sunshine scored after just 15 minutes when Dave Nelson cut in from the left and let fly with a drive from just outside the area. "Rocky" Tachris got a hand to the ball but couldn't stop it going inside the far post.

Then Roger Bain hit the bar and Rob Nelson muffed the simplest of headers. A cross from the left was nodded on by Norrie Pate but Nelson, only a couple of metres out, headed over.

Paul Gambin switched from the left to the right wing at the start of the second half and proved too elusive for Steve Ellis. It was Gambin in the 40th minute who ran onto Carl Gilder's fine header to slot the ball past advancing Alan Contini and level.

Cross hit the front just seven minutes later. Another Gilder header put Toal in possession. The George Cross striker beat one opponent then from a tight angle rifled the ball into the roof of the net.

Alan Contini's fumble in the 71st minute was pounced on by replacement midfielder Hugh McCann who lobbed the ball slowly past Contini to make it 3-1.

Dave Rigby finished Cross's spree from the penalty spot in the 80th minute after Ellis was judged to have fouled Tony Vella.

MIKRIARS STORMS OUT

DOVETON 2 (Quinn, Webster) NORTHCOTE 0

DOVETON: Ivanoff 7 - Thurlow 7 (Inf. Huls 70th), Merrick 7, Corke 5, K. Middlemass 8 - McIvor 7, Andrews 7, Train 6 - Spiller 7, Webster 7, Gule 6.

NORTHCOTE: Glanopoulos 6 - Nelson 7, Boskila 8, Prosen 7, Paterson 6, D. Wright 6, Fakos 5 - Sahinidis 4, Kakkinos 4 (Inf. Stamboylidis 65th), Glavits 4 (Inf. H.T. 6).

Jim Kriaris resigned as coach of Northcote well over a week ago and Ajax's Bobby McLachlan definitely won't be a candidate for the job.

Northcote hasn't tried to hide the news it's just that the press didn't seem too interested.

The former J.U.S.T. star is reported to have had an argument with a senior club official after Northcote's commendable 1-1 draw with Croydon.

It seems that apart from Northcote's financial problems there's a great deal of infighting going on between two rival factions, both represented on the committee.

A club official told me that Kriaris was sacked about a month ago, the decision was reversed and he was given a four week period to come up with results. However the committee's pressing financial situation stopped it signing the players needed to bolster the first team and enable Kriaris to achieve his goal.

One of Northcote's junior coaches took training last week but he wasn't able to be in charge of the team last Sunday against Doveton because his junior team was playing on the same afternoon. So team manager Joe Brondolino took over in a caretaker capacity.

The financial plight of the

club takes a paradoxical twist when you learn that the Northerners are set to offer First Division club Moreland about \$5,000 for teenage striker Peter Constantinou.

Against Doveton, Northcote rarely looked like scoring.

A hard fought physical battle turned Doveton's way in

the 60th minute when young Warren Spinks cut the ball back from the by-line on the right and winger Alan Quinn headed home at the far post.

Little Stan Webster settled the issue about five minutes from time when he headed in Doveton's second goal.

Juventus back, but chances go begging

JUVENTUS 2 (Heery pen, Cunningham) MORWELL FALCONS 1 (T. van Baar)

JUVENTUS: Clayton 7 - V. Bannon 7, P. Bannon 6, Davidson 7, Hird 6 - Heery 6, G. Bannon 7, Cunningham 7, Incantuppo 7 -

FALCONS: Whitelake 8 - Smart 6, Irvine 7, Digger 6, Higham 6 - Perkins 6 (Lucky 60th), O'Connor 7, O'Callaghan 6, van Baar 6, McClellan 7, Milton 6.

Morwell was like a falcon without wings until little Tommy Lecky appeared in the second half as a replacement for Dave Perkin.

Falcons looked like they'd watched a video replay of Juventus's recent clash with Croatia. Like Juventus in that previous game Falcons showed a unique ability to give the ball away with ease throughout the first half.

Juve on the other hand was well drilled and disciplined.

There also was a touch of flair in the form of the intricate ball skills of Tony Heery.

However, Juve's inability to convert at least a third of their chances again plagued the black and whites.

Juve easily could have gone in five goals up at the break. Instead all it had to show for its ability to cleave apart the Falcons defence was a solitary goal from the penalty spot.

That came in the 27th minute. Former Preston Makedona stopper John Higham fouled Heery and earned a verbal spanking from referee Henderson. Within 30 seconds Higham again pulled down Heery but this time a few inches inside the Falcons area. Heery coolly slotted the ball in from the spot.

Lecky came on in the 60th minute and sparked Falcons down their right.

However a couple of slips let in Juve midfielder Stuart Cunningham who notched goal number two in the 74th minute.

Keeper Bill Whitelake came to the edge of the area to cut out a cross. He quickly threw the ball out to John O'Callaghan who turned and found Cunningham closing him down. O'Callaghan slipped and suddenly, with Cunningham in possession just 28 metres from goal, Whitelake found himself in danger of being lobbed. He tried to get back but he too slipped, tried to regain his feet, slipped again and Cunningham hammered the ball into the net.

Falcons never gave up and earned their reward in the 80th minute. Lecky crossed for Tony van Baar who headed poorly from right in front. The ball ran wide of the far post.

Noel Mitten retrieved and sent over an inch perfect cross. This time van Baar made no mistake with a header from four metres.

Loughane sent off

CROYDON 1 (Wade) CROATIA 1 (Brogan)

CROYDON: Edwards 7 - Brown 6, G. Haupt 6, McCombe 6, Hobson 6, D. Debon 7, Huls 7, Wade 7 (Inf. Shannon 70th) - Corke 6, L. Loughane (sent off 80th), Lie 7.

CROATIA: Blahy 7, Curcio 7, G. Patton 6, Giller 7 - Blahy 6, Antolovic 6, Faulkner 6 - Latt 6 (Kuna 60th), Brogan 6, Murphy 6.

Croydon striker Ian Loughane, already booked in the first half, chose the dying moments of this match to applaud a decision from referee Karlisch and earn a sending off.

Loughane had been marked by Croatia defender Sean Parker. Theirs was a tough physical battle.

however he undoubtedly has great potential.

Wade was behind Croydon coming to grips with the match and getting on top of Croatia for the latter part of the first half. Just after the break good lead-up work by Dave Corke enabled Wade to once again put his shooting ability to good use with this time the talented midfielder skinned the bar with a fierce drive from about 15 metres.

Wade's loss through injury later in the half, slowed the home side's momentum however, in the final analysis, a draw was a fair result.

Bozikis, Brogan

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The best players from each club for last weekend's game were: George Cross v Sunshine: Dave Rigby (GC), Norrie Pate (SR). Frankston v Albion Rovers: Graham Tull (FR), Gary Cutler (AR). Juventus v Morwell Falcons: Paddy Bannon (J), Bill Whitelake (MF).

Hellas-Hakoah v Ringwood Wilhelmina: George Hannah (HH), Dave Gibson (RW). Croydon v Croatia: Steve McCombe (Croy), Sean Patton (C). Ajax v Polonia: Gordon Wallace (AJ), Leszek Dzalekowsk (P). Doveton v Northcote: Paul Corke (D), George Boskila (N).

Northcote's sweeper George Boskila has increased his lead and now has 16 votes, six clear of Hellas-Hakoah's Lou Tachris, Frankston's Graham Tull, Albion's Gary Cutler and Bill Whitelake of Morwell Falcons.

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Croatia striker Dave Brogan once more hit the back of the net on the weekend to take his goal tally to over 20. Not on his heels are Alan's Paul Lewis and James Praybyls of Polonia, both on five goals.

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SOCCER AROUND THE WORLD

TAHAMATA AND QUINI TO MAKE TV FINAL SPARKLE

By PAUL MOON

This season's European Cup Winners' Cup final promises to be more than must a contest featuring two outstanding teams, but also a battle between the two prevailing styles of Continental soccer.

Barcelona, adherents of exhilarating craft, finesse and high class entertainment, meets Standard Liege, which is far more functional than it is inspirational.

Even in normal circumstances Barcelona would be expected to carry the game towards Standard. In front of its own supporters there can be little doubt which team will take the initiative.

He is supported by Enrique Moran, who is equally deadly in the penalty box.

Dane Allan Simonsen, a former European footballer of the year, still creates magic down the left flank.

The Belgians too can claim international superstars in their ranks.

Arie Haan has two World Cup final appearances to his credit and remains one of the game's greatest campaigners.

Eric Gerets and Walter Meeuws both have established themselves in the Belgian national team's defence, one of the world's most awesome.

The enigmatic Simon Tahamata, on his day one of Europe's most dynamic wingers, is capable of creating havoc in any defence.

An Indonesian, he cost Standard a record \$500,000 when Ajax Amsterdam agreed to his release in 1980.

Man for man though Barcelona has the edge.

Tradition also favors Barcelona. This will be its eighth European final, whereas Standard has only two previous semi-finals appearances to its name.

An intriguing game appears to be in prospect, with Barcelona's flair probably being sufficient to defeat its resolute opponents.

The match will be played on the morning of May 13th, Australia time and televised live by Channel 8/28 from 4.15 am.

GOTHENBURG'S RUN CONTINUES

Swedish part-timer Gothenburg continued its remarkable run when it beat West German league leader Hamburg 1-0 in the first leg of the European Football Union (UEFA) Cup Final in Gothenburg.

The West Germans put the accent on defence but Gothenburg deservedly broke the deadlock three minutes from time

when Tord Holmgren collected a pass from Glenn Hysen, cut past Holger Hieronymus and hammered a low shot past goalkeeper Ulrich Stein.

Gothenburg's narrow advantage is unlikely to be enough in the return in two weeks time but it can look back on its first leg effort with pride.

It dominated the game despite the early

loss of star strikers Torbjorn Nilsson and Tommy Holmgren.

Nilsson, who has scored eight goals in Europe this season, was taken off in the 19th minute after being injured in a clash with Hamburg defender Juergen Groh.

Holmgren, whose brother Tord scored the goal, was also injured early on although he hobbled on gamely until the interval.

Weisweiler takes over at Grasshoppers

Former Borussia Moenchengladbach manager Hennes Weisweiler has been appointed manager of Swiss First Division giant Grasshoppers. The 62 year old father of a five month old baby boy has signed a two year contract with the Swiss club and will start his duties after the World Cup.



From JIM COOK our European correspondent



The Durham miners who won the World Cup in 1910.

The Austria First Division is set to rise from 10 to 16 teams next season. The Austrian F.A. has accepted the recommendation of its executive committee. Only two First Division clubs, FK Austria and Austria Salzburg, opposed the proposed increase.

There can be few doubts about the fitness of the Chilean World Cup squad. Coach Luis Santibanez took his players to the Andes mountains then a beach resort for World Cup preparation. After an exhaustive camp in the Andes the players were taken to the resort where they underwent a fortnight of intensive physical training involving running, gym work and weight lifting.

Flamengo, Brazil's World Cup Champion, is keen to arrange a tournament between previous World Cup Champions at the massive Maracana Stadium from August 7 to 20. The winner will receive \$100,000 and competing clubs would receive a match fee of \$70,000 per game.

Flip back the pages of soccer history and you will find that a team of Durham miners beat the great Juventus in the final of a competition billed as the World Cup Trophy way back in 1910.

The idea of the competition was the brainchild of Sir Thomas Lipton, a British tea and grocery millionaire who later spent a fortune in unsuccessfully trying to win the America's Cup with his yacht Shamrock.

But back to the 1910 World Cup. The amateurs from West Auckland in Durham, Juventus, Red Star of Zurich and Stuttgart of Germany comprised the entrants and in 1911 West Auckland again beat Juventus to retain the trophy and make it their own property. The competition then closed down and was not revived again until 1930 on a bigger and broader scale and the \$40,000

Lipton World Cup trophy still rests behind the bar of the working mens club in West Auckland in County Durham. In a joint venture between British T.V. tough guy Dennis Waterman and Lyle Lees T.V. a 90 minute film is currently being completed on West Auckland's feat entitled "World Cup — A Captain's Tale" and will be shown in many parts of the globe in time for the World Cup in Spain. Dennis Waterman himself plays West Auckland captain Bob Jones.

Only three national team bosses who guided their countries to the finals in Argentina in 1978 will again take their teams to the finals in Spain. The trio are Cesar Menotti of Argentina, Enzo Bearzot of Italy and Michel Hidalgo of France.

T.V. station in Argentine insists Spain will win the World Cup... because all previous hosts who finished up victors started with a vowel — Uruguay, Italy, England, West Germany and Argentina. If that doesn't make sense it's because the Argentinians use Spanish pronunciation. Spain is Espana while West Germany is Alemania.

Cameroon are one of the most isolated countries in the World Cup. They have no T.V. so soccer fans haven't much of a clue what goes on in the outside world. They have some ties with France and the only touring sides they infrequently see are ST Etienne and Lyons which give them a glimpse of the big time. Two top players are Roger Milla a big strong

striker with Bastia and N'komo their goalkeeper who is dubbed the African Lev Yashin.

Although Juventus and Italy star Marco Tardelli fancies his nation's chances in Spain many Italian fans can't forget that amazing defeat by North Korea at Middlesbrough in the 1980 World Cup finals.

It appears that many have already written off the prospects of Czechoslovakia by virtue of their slow, deliberate and ponderous type of play. But the Czechs are no fools at World Cup soccer. They were runners-up in 1934, reached the quarter-finals in 1938 and were again runners — up in 1962. Besides they were European champions in 1978 and finished third in the same competition in 1980.

A Brazilian soccer official asked to sum up World Cup opponents Russia, Scotland and New Zealand said: "We are tackling Communism, alcoholism and who-the-hellism."

Honduras grouped together with Spain, Yugoslavia and Northern Ireland are the poor relation of the World Cup. In a country where begging is common, half the population illiterate and the average weekly wage of \$30 few have any hope of seeing their country in Spain. Top player is 24-year-old Ramon Madaeranga who is also captain and a national hero known as El Primitivo. Discovered playing in a monastery he contracted smallpox as a youngster which left terrible facial scars. Madaeranga has also rugged Indian features and in a country of six

million people he is one of the highest paid in soccer at a reported \$300 a month.

El Salvador plagued by civil war for over two years and next door neighbours of Honduras had one of their World Cup Squad murdered by extremists and a whole soccer team were rounded up and shot at Las Lajas. In 1980 when El Salvador met Honduras in a World Cup qualifying tie it signalled the start of the Four Day War. The El Salvador players by their own standards are well off. Some earn as much as \$30 a week — when the average income of the population is around \$2 a week.

The 24 World Cup final countries had to nominate their lists of 40 players to FIFA by May 14. The actual squads to go to Spain must be declared eight days before the tournament begins.

First penalty kick awarded in a World Cup final came in the first minute of the game between Holland and West Germany in 1974. Johan Cruyff was tripped before a West German player had touched the ball. Johan Neeskens scored from the spot.

German defender Peter Brielgel of Kaiserslautern is likely to have a hotel room all to himself in Spain. For nobody will share with him as he shores so loudly. He has pushed his reputation as "King Snorer" during the last European championships.

Algeria have two of their World Cup squad playing in English soccer. Richard Har-kouk 25 born in England of an Algerian father is a midfield star with Notts County while Nacer Redjzani a writer plays for Cambridge City in the Southern League.

Juste Fontaine that legendary French striker and now coach of Morocco still holds the record of having scored most goals in the World Cup finals. He netted 14 for France in 1958.

Konstantin Beskov manager of the Russian World Cup team was a member of the famous Moscow Dynamo side which toured Britain immediately after the Second World War. Now 61 Beskov has managed all the Moscow sides — Dynamo, Torpedo, CSKA (the army side) and Spartak where he is still in command.

Did you know that America with five Scots in their team got to the semi-finals of the first official World Cup in Uruguay in 1930. In their first game against Belgium in Montevideo the tartan Yanks won 3-0 and they went on to beat Paraguay 1-0 before crashing 6-1 to Argentina in the semis. The five Scots were all domiciled in USA.

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Shengelia shines but Soviets hit a slump

A 20th minute goal from star striker, Ramaz Shengelia, earned the Soviet Union a 1-0 win over East Germany in a World Cup warm-up international in Moscow last week.

But the powerful Soviet squad, in the middle of an alarming form slump, will have to show a vast improvement if it is to have any chance of success in Spain where it meets Brazil, Scotland and New Zealand in Group Six.

Only Shengelia raised the spirits of the 39,000 crowd with flashes of his famous striking power. In the opening minutes the Dynamo Tbilisi star hit the bar with a superb dipping shot from long range.

Shengelia's efforts were rewarded when Tbilisi team-mate Tengiz Sulakvelidze split the East German defence with a measured pass and the striker turned deftly to net from close range.

Shengelia apart, there were few Soviet successes, although sweeper Alexander Chivadze was at his dominant best and Leonid Buryak broke menacingly from midfield on several occasions. But former

European Footballer of the Year Oleg Blokhin was sadly out of touch up front.

The generally shoddy and undisciplined performance clearly offered little encouragement to manager Konstantin Beskov, who recently criticised his team publicly for recent displays.

Teams: SOVIET UNION: Dasayev, Sulakvelidze, Chivadze, Khidiyatulin, Baltcha, Oganesyan, Shengelia, Bal, Gavrilov, Buryak, Blokhin.

EAST GERMANY: Rudwaleit, Heyne, Trieloff, Ulrich, Schnuphase, Zietzsche, Hause, Doerner, Pommerenke, Streich, Jochers.

Belgium picks 40 men

Belgian manager Guy Thys has not yet given up hope that Rene Vandereycken will be fit to play in the World Cup finals in Spain.

Vandereycken, a key member of the Belgian side, suffered a serious injury to the cartilage in his left knee in a friendly against Bulgaria last week. But Thys has named him in a 40-strong squad for the finals.

He will prune the list to 22 later this month.

The squad is:
Marc Baekke (Beveren), Robert Bosch (Lierse), Jan Ceulemans (FC Bruges), Albert Cluytens (Anderlecht), Leo Cluytens (Tongres), Ludo Coeck (Anderlecht), Luc Criel (Ghent), Theo Custers (Barcelona), Alex Czerniatynski (Antwerp), Jos Daerden (Standard), Wim de Coninck (Waregem).

Michael de Groote (Anderlecht), Maurice de Schrijver (Lokeren), Dirk De Vriese (RWG Molenbeek), Eric Gerets (Standard), Willy Geurts (Anderlecht), Yvan Hoste (Tongres), Pierre Janssen (Waterschei), Andre Larissen (Ghent), Frank Mariman (Antwerp), Walter Meunus (Standard), Luc Millemans (Waregem), Marc Millemans (Waregem), Raymond Mommsen (Lokeren), Jacques Munaron (Anderlecht), Jean-Marie Pfaff (Beveren), Gerard Plessers (Standard), Michel Preudhomme (Standard), Alex Querter (CS Bruges), Michel Renquin (Anderlecht), Ronny Somers (Lokeren), Paul Theunis (Winterslag), Erwin Vandenbergh (Lierse), Rene Vandereycken (Genoa), Guy Vandermiselen (Standard), Frank Vercauteren (Anderlecht), Rene Verheyen (Lokeren).

Belgium meets world champion Argentina, Hungary and El Salvador in group Three in Spain.

Piechniczек and his Poles set to surprise in Spain

After some seasons of topsy-turvy form, Poland managed to perform at its best in a game which meant everything — last year's match against East Germany in Leipzig.

By beating its great rival on its home turf, the Polish team qualified for Spain with a 100 per cent record, thus making the finals for the third time in a row.

This great record's foundations were laid in the 1972 Munich Olympics, when the red-and-whites won an unexpected Gold Medal. For those who didn't take note of this performance, Poland's third placing in the World Cup — in West Germany again — a scant two years later came as something of a surprise.

Internal dissension led to weaker performances in Argentina; the man who was in charge during the earlier successes, Kazimierz Gorski, having resigned by then, and his successor seemingly unable to establish the necessary discipline and team work.

The man who took over a year ago, Antoni Piechniczек, belongs to the new, young generation of national team managers. He took over from Ryszard Kulesza after the scandalous events prior to the World Cup elimination against Malta in 1980, which also led to the severe disciplining of a number of the Polish stars.

In a short time Piechniczек re-established the necessary authority and led his team to group victory without a loss of a single point.

He denies that the team he took over was completely disunited, just as he denies that the present squad is ready and able to tackle the Cup in Spain.

HUNGARY NAMES 28

Hungarian manager Kalman Meszoly has named a 28-man squad which will later be pruned to 22 for the World Cup finals.

The home-based players among the 28 will assemble in the Tata training camp in Western Hungary during the next few days and will be joined on May 16 by those playing for foreign clubs.

The squad is:
Goalkeepers: Meszaros (Sporting Lisbon), Katicz (Pecs), I. Kiss, (Taoasanya), Zsiborasz, (Ferencváros).

Defenders: Martos, (Waterschei), ballat (Toulouse), Garaba (Honved), Rab (Ferencváros), Varga (Honved) Csuhay (Videoton).

Midfielders: Muller Hannich (Raba Eto), Poczik (Raba Eto), Sallai (Descren), Csapo (Tatabanya) Mucha (Waregem).

Forwards: Fazekas (Antwerp), Torocsik, (Ujpest Dosza) L. Kiss (Vasas), Poloskei (Ferencváros) Bodonyi (Honved) Szentés (Raba Eto) G. Kerekas (Debrecen).

By
PETER SCOTT

In the manager's opinion the "backbone" is ready and able, as well as willing. However, he is still looking for solutions in a number of areas.

In only four qualifying games, Poland used no less than 26 players, but Piechniczек emphasises that wholesale changes ceased when he took over the managership of the squad.

In addition, many of the changes were necessitated by the sudden loss of form at the most unexpected times by several of the key players.

Although the win over East Germany in Leipzig was, in the opinion of many experts, due mainly to tactical surprises, Piechniczек claims that the successful selection of players for the vital fixture had at least as much to do with the vanquishing of the hosts.

"This was due to our policy of using friendly fixtures as nothing more than rehearsals for various tactical formations and this policy will continue while I'm in charge," he said.

"Friendly matches do not have much importance as far as results are concerned, what matters is the World Cup and the European Championship."

A number of promising youngsters, such as Buncola, Jalocha, Milewski and Majewski, made their debuts recently and Piechniczек is pleased by the abundance of young talent around the clubs.

They are not only talented, but also surprisingly mature in the tactical elements of the game.

"But I do not have a hard and fast quota of youngsters, or a rule for bleeding them. I refused to force the issue of selecting more young talent."

"Spots in the Polish national team belong to the players who are in the best form at the time of selection and are considered the most suitable for the specific tasks posed by particular games."

"This doesn't mean that I am prejudiced against the younger generation of players; if they come through the pre-Mundial tests then their places will be assured in Spain," the manager pointed out.

A major way-station in Poland's progress towards Spain was a winter training camp in Italy, which provided good facilities in pleasant weather.

Also, although Piechniczек wouldn't publicly state this, the period in Italy allowed the squad to distance itself from the political upheavals back home, as martial law followed months of political unrest.

Opponents in Italy were carefully selected, taking account of the state of preparedness of the team. Poland scored five goals in its three games, with Boniek calling attention to himself by hitting the target on three occasions.

The midfield also performed up to expectations, while defender Dziuba and striker Smolarek also shone.



Zbigniew Boniek

Andrzej Iwan

Jugoslovenska Scena

USPEH BEZ TRENERA

Posto uprava JUST-a nije prihvatila nemoguće uslove trenera Petra Jakse. PLAVI su po drugi put zastopce igrali bez trenera u gostima. Ulogu selektora dubro su obavili igrači Zdravko Lajić i Jovan Mile, iako bi bilo da je posao signijma trener drugom tima Milenko Rumir.

Najbolji igrače opet je bio kapiten Zoran Illoski, koji je krstario sredinom terena i pripremao akcije, koje su bez prestatka upoznavale protivnički gol. Mendo Ristovski se dobro uklopio u igru. Jedino se novajlija Vladimir Pljevaljčić jos uvek upoznaje sa novom sredinom, ali se mora vise uzdržavati i kontrolisati pred ovdasnjim sudijama. Na dve prve utakmice dobio je zute kartone. Očekuje se da njegove golgeterske osobine dođu do izražaja na trećoj utakmici protiv Newcastlea u Footscrayu.

Golman Milutin Ciric je ponovo sa uspehom cuvalo svoju mrežu, što znači da Denis Boland mora jos uvek da bude njegova rezerva, iako me je poverena dužnost reprezentativnog golmana Viktorije.

SLEDEĆE UTAKMICE JUST-a igra protiv Newcastlea u Melbourneu. PLAVI su favoriti. Pobeda će mnogi žele, ali JUST-a od opasne zone.

Pitanje trenera je akutno, ali gde ga naci? Uprava ne zeli Cirkovicu, iako igrači imaju drugo misljenje.

VELIKI USPEH MAKEDONIJE
Posle nekoliko slabijih igara, MAKEDONIJA je povratila formu u pravi cas. Savidan je lider Philips lige sa ubedljivim rezultatom. Crveno-crni su ponovo kandidati za četvrticu, a možda i za prvo mesto. Sledeće nedelje Makedonija gostuje u gradu celika, gde će je dočekati veliki broj navijača. Wollongong je na dnu tabele, ali uvek može da iznenadi timove, koje ga potene.

OSTALI REZULTATI
ALTONA GATE/VARDAR-BELL PARK 1:3 (0:1). Vardar je nastupio bez Venca Bozinovskog i Dragov. Naumovskog, što je oslabilo odbranu i navalu. Jedini gol postigao je Mile Micevski. Sastav: Sharpia, Dimovski, Derivovski, Serovski, Kotevski (Talevski), Prestilski, Zdravovski, Scorsi, Micevski, Cele Talevski, Aceski.

DRUGI TIM MAKEDONIJE-DRUGI TIM J.U.S.T.-a 3:4 (2:1). Ziva i dinamicka igra. Strelci: Emil Petrov i Dragan Vasic po 2 za JUST, Mile Magnano 3 za Makedonija. Sastav Makedonije: Gary Ofran, George Velkos, Jim Taneyvski, Arthur Christov, Arthur Donas, Con Stoy-

kos, Riste Nicevski, Dusko Nicevski, Con Opasidis, Mile Magnano, Robert Cullen (Mike Rainey). Sastav JUST-a: Zoran Vajnic, Dragan Bibovic, Ivica Karic (Marino Obiak), Nedeljko Rajic, Vlatko Belic, Toma Karic, Robert Stofa, Emil Petrov (Vasko Stojcevski), Dragan Vasic, Dragan Janjic, Dusko Atanasovski. Najbolji igrače ove utakmice bio je Vlatko Belic.

BROADMEADOWS-RINGWOOD/SRBIA 1:1 (1:0). Srbija je podela sa 1:0 protiv Georgea Gillana. Jedan od najboljih postigao jos jedan gol preko Miladina Bjelogrica, koji je sudija ponistio bez objasnjenja. Sastav Srbije: Silvije, Remmers, Baileja, Corulli, Kovacevic, Vaugham, Hodjmas, Bjelogric, Dejanovic, Gillan, Milisavljevic.

BALLARAT-HAWKSBURG 0:1 (0:0). Strelac Steve Derek u 79. minutu. Sastav Hawksburna: Sander Kazi, Laci Palai, Tibor Benedek, Ferenc Palinkas, Andras Kazi, Drago Bulic, Joe Sabo, Slavko Vasic, Steve Kanton, Steve Bleskanj, Steve Derek.

LANGWARRIN-LALOR/SLOGA 0:5 (0:2). Strelci: Riste Ristevski 2, Ljuba Stojanovic 2 i Kire Veljanovski.

Kent, Ward keeps 'Juve' on top

By WALTER PLESS

Juventus retained leadership of the Tasmanian State League (South) competition by defeating Olympia 4-1.

The League's leading marksman, Bruce Ward, scored twice in the second half to take his league tally to nine goals in four matches. Kent had softened up the opposition with two goals in the first half before Ward popped up with his coupe de grace in the second.

Luciano Fabrizio, from the Australian Institute of Sport,

stipulate for Juventus. He came on midway through the second half.

Touches were a delight to watch. He probably made the move of the match when he cleverly held the ball and then ran through the Olympia offside 'trap'.

It was sheer brilliance and he was rewarded with a penalty. Having rounded the goalkeeper, he was brought down, and Ward easily slotted home the penalty.

zingly enough, in third place. McIntyre and Hallam scored the goals for them in a 2-1 victory over Brighton. Parker, one of only two survivors of Brighton's league and cup double winning side of last season, scored Brighton's goal.

White Eagles maintained their pressure on Juventus when they beat South Hobart by a solitary goal scored by Derek Trueman. Eagles have had an unbeaten run and have yet to concede a goal.

most entertaining game of the round, Croatia picked themselves off the bottom of the table by leading Rapid 2-1. Thomas and Peters scored for Croatia, while Oakes scored for Rapid.

Results: Juventus beat Olympia 4-1, White Eagles beat South Hobart 1-0, Metro beat Brighton 2-1, Croatia beat Rapid 2-1.

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Juventus	4	0	0	1	4	2	8
White Eagles	4	0	0	0	8	8	8
Metro	4	0	0	0	4	1	4
Rapid	4	0	2	0	7	4	4
SA Hobart	4	0	3	0	8	2	3
Rapid	4	0	3	2	2	2	2
Croatia	4	1	0	3	2	2	2

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As a youngster, I thought everything revolved around sport. School work, errands, household chores were all irritations, filling in the breaks between games. We would play anywhere — in the school yard, the street or the park. Although there was the odd game of cricket or rounders, or tennis perhaps, it is football, played usually with a tennis ball, that dominates my memories. Picking teams in the street, we often played as many as twenty-a-side, with the lamp standards as goal-posts, or we might use piles of clothes on a piece of spare land. We changed in the open into teams of many colours, and were with pride any piece of football kit received as a present or hand-me-down.

How times have changed. Youngsters now can join teams in highly organised leagues, and sides are kitted out as smartly as First Division clubs. They have organised transport to and from matches, and training sessions are often taken by parents. Progress? Not necessarily, for there are dangers and threats to the individual.

At the beginning of this book, I outline the case for the boy and girl who just want a kick of the ball — how they can enjoy soccer whether or not they want to make a living out of it. I also consider some of the questions I receive in every post bag — not only from youngsters, but from parents and grandparents, too. What is it really like on the inside of professional football? What is an apprentice footballer — what does he do — can I become one? How about referees and refereeing? How is the running of the club organized?

And in a wide-ranging look at all aspects of the game, I try to explain the meaning behind football terminology and tactics, and examine such influences as television and sponsorship and their effect on the game. In doing so, I hope to stimulate a greater interest in soccer and create a deeper understanding of it. Whether you watch at home or from the terraces, whether you play in organised leagues or in the back streets, I hope you will gain a greater insight into the game by reading this book.

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Sidewetting stops Bankstown setting Manly

NSW State League with ALEX VESIC

After nine rounds of the chase for the NSW State League premiership it is apparent that Croatia, like in all the premiership since the formation of the PSL will play the major part.

They've beaten Melita Eagles by a single goal, but looked far more comfortable against their fancied opponent than the scoreline would suggest. It was their big midfielder come forward, Kevin Coleman, who rose high to head goalwards which led to the single goal in this game. Goalkeeper couldn't hold the header and Bruno Vidica chimed in to score.

At the Gabble, Blacktown Demons returned to the winning list with a 2-0 beating of Auburn, but had to work hard for their points. Johnstone scored early then numerous chances went astray before Tony Rasmussen made it safe for the Demons. If Demons are to seriously challenge for the title they will have to improve in their shooting - chances went begging which are normally converted in U/11 encounters.

Manly had a lucky escape at Bankstown Soccer Centre last Saturday. They were 2-1 up with 10 minutes to go then Bankstown scored through John Nocera. The shot by the Bankstown forward was so hard, the ball appeared to have gone through the net - and subsequently the referee disallowed the goal!

Minutes later Terry Smith made certain of the two points.

It was not the performance with which Mickey Jones hopes to win the title, but he is taking the whole thing light heartedly. "If you win when you are not playing well, what is going to happen when you do play well, and we have played well in most of our games this season," said Jones.

For Rockdale Hinden and Melita Eagles it was a fourth loss in as many weeks, with both clubs facing some stiff opposition next week. Melita travels to Seymour Shaw Park, while Rockdale has problems having to go to Cromer Park and play Manly Warringah.

Riverwood continues to follow Croatia at the top, after yet another win at Hurstville. A goal by Terry Jones sunk an eager Sutherland to give Riverwood two more points. They have now collected 15 points in their last eight outings and will most probably be close to the top if not at the top at the end of the competition.

BLACKTOWN 2 AUBURN 0

Scorers: Rasmussen, Johnstone
BLACKTOWN: Freeman, Woodley, Rasmussen, Brown, Polster, Selva, Hazzell, Krasimirov, Jones (Goal 2), Johnstone, Gurney
AUBURN: Walker, McInerney, Hardwick (Sullivan 67), Peters, Pongolija, O'Donnell, Dale, Gulphey, Holway, Allan (Turner 73), Carney.

Auburn came to Gabble Stadium determined to fight fire with fire and for most of the game carried the game to their much fancied opponent. But their will alone was not enough, and in the end they lost by a small margin, certainly not indicative of the chances both sides created.

Auburn had opportunities to score, but Blacktown certainly had more and the scoreline could have been devastating should all of those chances have been converted. Johnstone made it 1-0 in the opening minutes of the game, then close to a dozen opportunities went begging before Tony Rasmussen made it 2-0 and a safe two points for the Demons with five minutes of the match remaining.

Stu Selva was the man of the match at the Gabble covering every blade of grass during 90 minutes and generally creating more than a handful of trouble for Auburn.

Auburn with their new coach at the helm looked far more determined to do well than in their previous matches. John McDonald who first played for Auburn in 1972 then had short stint with Sutherland came back to Auburn in 1978 to finish his career as a player.

His guile and enthusiasm should be the start of a new and a more progressive era at this club.

BANKSTOWN 2 MANLY WARRINGAH 3

Scorers: Nocera, Wilmoth (B), Smith 2, Regan (MW)
BANKSTOWN: Patterson, Rootsey, Beck (Allen 77), O'Neil (Brown 80) Blacktown: Wilmoth, Dolton, Dial, Beckers, Nocera, Camporeale
MANLY WARRINGAH: Ellis, Plud, Doyle, Dick, Goughan, Lock, Noble, P. Falconer, Smith, Regan, Stuart (Fox 56).

Manly had a lucky escape at Bankstown Soccer Centre last Saturday. With 10 minutes to go John Nocera latched onto a pass to score or did he?

The ball appeared to have gone through a faulty netting, not a very unusual occurrence. In fact it happened at Marconi 24 hours later in a PSL match.

As jubilant Bankstown players were congratulating Nocera and Manly players turning towards the centre, the referee came into the picture, cancelling the goal.

He might have been right, but from where our reporter stood it appeared as if those present including the players of both sides accepted the fact that Nocera had scored. That would have made it 2-2 and from then on it would have been anyone's game.

But it was not to be. Terry Smith scored in the 87' to make it 3-1 and "safe" for the Sea Eagles, despite Craig Wilmoth's last minute goal to make the score 3-2.

John Nocera shot Bankstown into the lead in the 30th minute, then Manly had a goal(?) disallowed, yet another one that went through the side netting by Regan.

Manly continued to labour until the 66th minute then Stuart Regan chimed in to send a crashing 30 metre drive past Patterson and get Manly into top gear. Terry Smith scored the clincher, but not before some anxious moments

TA NEA TON OMADON MAF APOT TO SHMEIO TOY PENALTY

ΠΡΟΚΩΡΧΕΕ Η ΔΟΞΑ ΓΙΑΡΡΑΒΙΑ 2-0 ΤΟ ΡΟΥΣΕΤ ΜΕΛΜΠΟΥΡΝ

Παρόντος μεγάλου αριθμού φιλάθλων ή πρωτόπορος της Β' κατηγορίας του πρωταθλήματος του Προβίλιανα Λήγκ Δόξα Γιαρραβιλ νίκησε με 2-0 το Ρουέστ Μέλμπουρν.

Η ελληνική ομάδα παρά το ότι από το 9 λεπτό της συνάντησης έπαιξε με 10 παίκτες λόγω αποβολής του Τζαμπάζης, ήταν καλύτερη αλλά οι κτηνολογίες σε πολλές φάσεις βιάστηκαν ή στάθηκαν άτυχοι να σημειώσουν τουλάχιστον πέντε τέρματα.

Το σκόρ άνοιξε ο Τ. Παπαχριστοπούλου με κεφαλιά στο 40' μετά κόρνερ του Νικολαΐδη και το διπλασίασε ο Τερζάκης με εύστοχο πέναλτυ από άνατροπή του Ν. Μελέτη στο 62'.

Από την Δόξα χάθηκαν ευκαιρίες ενώ κουνινό σουτ του Μελέτη βρήκε την κάθετο δοχό της Γουέστ.

Η άνεκτηκή διαίτησία στις κλωτσιές ενφυχρό που έρριχναν οι αντίπαλοι, ήταν και το μελανό σημείο.

Τό ότι άρκέστηκε να τους δείχνει μόνο κίτρινες κάρτες δεν ήταν άρεστό. Τό ποδόσφαιρο χάνει φιλάθλους όταν υπάρχουν ομάδες σαν τό Ρουέστ Μέλμπουρν και όταν οι διαίτητές τίς άνεχονται.

Κρίμα γιατί πιστεύουμε ότι ή νέοι ρεφερέδες θα πρέπει να έχουν πάρει καλές άρχες από τους βασίλους τους. Δεν θά άναφερθούμε στο όνομα του διαίτητή αλλά θά πρέπει οι άρμόδιοι να τό συστήσουν πώς τό ποδόσφαιρο δεν είναι όπως τό παίζει τό Ρουέστ Μέλμπουρν με κλωτσιές στους ά ντιπάλους τους.

Ας μή ξεχνάμε ότι ή ομάδα αυτή είχε τιμωρηθεί πέρυσι γιά άκοκτό διίστημα.

Οι δέκα παίκτες της Δόξας πάλαιψαν δυνατά και δίκαια πήραν τήν νίκη.

Εξαίρετοι οι Πύνης Άμανατίδης, Νίκος Μελέτης, Λέξ Νικολαΐδης, Τίμ Παπαχριστοπούλου και Πάλ Πετρίδης.

Έπαιξαν οι Ν. Άποστολίδης, Τζαμπάζης, Ντ Άποστολίδης, Τερζάκης (62' Ποταλίδης) Των Άμανατίδης, Δημητρίου, Α. Νικολαΐδης, Τίμ Παπαχριστοπούλου, Ν. Μελέτης και Χύτας.

Η ΔΟΞΑ ΕΥΧΑΡΙΣΤΕΙ

Τό Δ. Συμβούλιο της Δόξας Γιαρραβιλ εύχαριστεί τόν κ. Κώστα Νικολαΐδή ό όπολος στόν πρόσφατο χορό του συλλόγου μεταξύ άλλων προσέφερε και ένα τάβλι.

ΜΑΝΗΑΣ ΓΚΟΚΛΗΨΕ ΣΤΗΝ ΤΑΡΑΧ

Ο ταλαντούχος γκολκίπερ Κώστας Άλεξανδρόπουλος από τήν περασμένη Ευραική φόρεσε τήν πανέλλα τήν "TARAX" Β' κατηγορία 'Ιντάστριαλ Λήγκ και τό Δ. Συμβούλιο και οι συμπαίκτες του τόν καλωσορίζουν.

ΤΡΩΝΕΡΟ ΤΟ ΜΑΛΑΒΕΡΝ ΚΑΙ 4 - 0 ΣΤΟ ΑΝΙΟΥΣΡΟΠΤ

Περύνηρη εμφάνιση έκανε τό Μάλβερν Σίτυ στό γήπεδό του και πέτυχε τήν πιό μεγάλη του νίκη στο πρωτάθλημα με 4-0 επί του Άμπερφορντ που ήταν στήν 2η θέση του βαθμολογικού πίνακα.

Η Ε' ληνική ομάδα πέτυχε τά γκολ με μέ τους Γεωργιάδη, Λιχούδη, Πετρόπουλο, Σιαμάγκη.

Από τήν ομάδα δεν ύστέρησε κανένας. Έπαιξαν οι Μακέν, Β. Παλαμάρας, (Βλάχος) Παπαδόπουλος, Αματζής, Πετρόπουλος, Ροθύπος, (Αβδολός), Γεωργιάδης, Τσώιος, Λιχούδης, Α. Παλαμάρας και Σιαμάγκη.

Η Β' ομάδα νίκησε με 5-1. Τά τέρματα πέτυχαν οι Άρζάνας 3, Π. Γεωργίου και Τών, Γεωργίου.

ΠΕΡΙΟΛΗΤΗΣ ΣΤΟΝ ΛΕΩΝΙΔΑ Ο ΓΑΤΚΟΚΑΛΛΑΝΟΣ

Ο Νιχάλης Γαυκοκάλλανος ανέλαβε από τήν περασμένη έβδομάδα τήν τεχνική ήγεσία του Λεωνίδα και τό Δ. Συμβούλιο τόν καλωσορίζει.

ΜΑΘΗΜΑΤΑ ΔΙΑΙΤΗΣΙΑΣ

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ΕΞΑΙΣΕ Η ΤΑΡΑΧ 6-1

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Άλτόνα, τελικά έχασε με 6-1.

Ο διαίτητής κ. PAUL FLOWER ήταν άριστος βαθμό 10.

ΕΞΑΙΣΕ Η Β' ΟΜΑΔΑ ΤΟΥ ΜΕΤΑ

Με τό Άρντιερ άγωνίστηκε έκτός έδρας ή Β' ομάδα τού Μέτα και παρά τό ότι έπείδωσε καλό ποδόσφαιρο, τελικά έχασε με 1-0.

Η ελληνική ομάδα έχασε πολλές εύκαιρίες γιά να πάρει τήν νίκη. Ίχει δέ τήν άτύχια να τής λείπουν από τήν σύνθεσή της οι βασικοί παίκτες της κρεσένβι που είναι τραυματισμένοι και ό ταλαντούχος Άβιαν που τόν πήρε ό κ. Μοκέντρυ στήν ομάδα τού Βίλιπς Λήγκ γιά τόν άγώνα με τήν Άπια.

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ΠΕΡΙΟΛΗΤΗΣ Η ΚΑΡΤΙΤΑ 7-1 ΣΤΟ ΜΟΥ

ΑΤΥΧΟΣ Ο ΚΟΥΒΑΡΔΑΣ ΟΥΔΕΙΣ ΤΟ ΙΟΔΙ ΤΟΥ

Κιά Κλαρίνα περιήρη ποή ή επίθεση της πετούσε φωτιές, κιντόρθηκε να βιάλσει με σά στο ΜΟΒ τήν τοπική ομάδα με 7-1.

Τά γκολ τής μεγάλης νίκης πέτυχαν οι Σέμπερ 3, Κ. Χαλαμπους 3, Α. Καμπαρτίνης τήν άραία όμως νίκη σκόισε ή άτύχια τού Κουβαράδ που άπεχώρησε στό 10' με σπασμένο πόδι.

Ο άτυχος παίκτης μεταφέρθηκε στό νοσοκομείο τού Μδε.

Συμπαίκτες και Δ. Συμβούλιο τού εύχονται ταχεία άνάμωψη.

Από τήν νικήτρια ξεχώρισαν οι Σέμπερ, Ποταλίδης και Καλέντα.

Έπαιξαν οι Καμάκης, (Καφάλης), Α. Καμπαρτίνης, Μ. Καμπαρτίνης, Πολύζος, Τσιούπουλος Ποταλίδης, Καλέντας, Σεζίρης, Κ. Χαλαμπους Σέμπερ, Κουβαράδς (10' Άποστολίδης) και Η Β' ομάδα νίκησε 4-0. Τό Σάββατο ή Κλαρίνα ύποδέχεται στό γήπεδό της (WESTBAY) τήν ελληνική ομάδα τού Μάλβερν.

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Μολλές φορές έχουμε γράφει γιά τήν καλή διαίτησία τού Έλληνα διαίτητή κ. Ε. Βέβιου και άκριβώς γιά τόν λόγο αυτόν παρανευνηθήκαμε όταν στήν συνάντησή τού πρέστον με τό Όλμπι, άρρεσε τούς γηπεδούχους να κτυπάνε τόν έναν μετά τόν άλλον τους κινούμενους παίκτες.

Γιά να θυρίσουμε στόν κ. Βέβιο τίς κλωτσιές ποή έπεσαν εις βάρος τών παικτών της ομάδας τού Σβένου, τού άναφέρουμε τά λεπτά.

1) Στο 19' ό Νήτς κλαδεύει τόν Βίλιπς. 2) Στο 20' ό Πετρόφσκι "πρώει" τόν Τζένινγκς.

3) Στο 22' ό Μακίλλαν κλαδεύει τόν Καθόλο μπροστά στόν ρεφερέ.

4) Στο 25' ό Λέτλ κάνει τό ίδιο στόν Εούς και στό 28' ό Ρουώρντ ποή κλωτσιά τόν Βίλιπς, έπιτέλους είδε κίτρινη κάρτα γιά να τόν ακολουθήσει ό Δίτλ στό 29' ποή κτύπησε τόν Στζέσερ.

5) 30μα σά λεπτά αούά ήταν άξιολύπητο γινάτι σε κάθε νανιά τού γηπέδου ήταν άκό ένας παίκτης τού Όλμπι πεσμένος. Καί αούά τόν κ. Βέβιο: "Υπόκει περιήρη στή ποδόσφαιρο να πεί αποστά όταν οι ίδιοι οι διαίτητές τό καταστρέφουν και παίκτες όπως αούό τίς πρέστον να περιήρουν τούς αντίπάλους τους τροκεινέουν να πάρουν τήν νίκη;

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